

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from York County
Honorable John C. Hayes, III, Circuit Court Judge
Appellate Case Tracking No. 2015-001408
SC Court of Appeals

The State,

Respondent,

vs.

Rion McKissick Rutledge,

Appellant.

**MOTION FOR SECOND EXTENSION
TO SERVE AND FILE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

Respondent, through its undersigned counsel, would respectfully show unto this Court as follows:

I.

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter are due to be served and filed March 25, 2016.

II.

Pursuant to RE: Extension Requests in Criminal Direct Appeals and Post-Conviction Relief Certiorari Proceedings: Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009, the Respondent moves for a second extension in the above referenced appeal. Due to work required in other cases pending before this Court and the South Carolina Supreme Court, I am unable to complete this Brief on time. Further, the undersigned has completed several briefs and Returns to Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

In addition, counsel has participated in oral arguments at this Court during the past month.

III.

This extension request is not intended for purposes of delay, but rather to ensure the Brief is properly researched and prepared. I would therefore request a second extension of time within which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter.

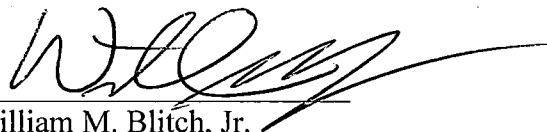
WHEREFORE, Respondent prays that the Court hold this matter in abeyance until ruling on this motion; extend the deadline for the service and filing of the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in this case for thirty (30) days from the date such relief is granted; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Sally Ellison, certify that I have served the Motion for Second Extension to Serve and File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter on Appellant by depositing a copy of same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Stephen D. Schusterman, Esquire
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Post Office Box 4211
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29732

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 25th day of March, 2016.



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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: State v. Rion M. Rutledge
Appellate Case Tracking No. 2015-001408

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the original and six (6) copies of a Motion for Second Extension to Serve and File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter along with proof of service for filing in the above-referenced appeal.

Sincerely,

William M. Blich, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

Enclosures

cc: Stephen D. Schusterman, Esquire
Victim Services