

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from York County

Lee S. Alford, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JASON ALAN JOHNSON,

APPELLANT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.

2. Counsel had oral argument in the Court of Appeals in the case of Ernest Pressley v. State on October 2, 2012. Counsel attended the South Carolina Public Defenders Conference during the week of September 24, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Bobby Shey Rathburn v. State with this Court on September 19, 2012. On September 12, 2012, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Gary White v. State with this Court. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Marion

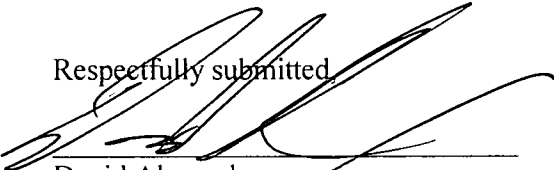
Alexander Lindsey, a capital appeal in the Supreme Court, on September 7, 2012.

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

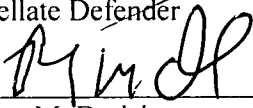
4. As indicated by signature below, Salley Elliott, of the South Carolina Attorney General's Office, does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted



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October 4, 2012

I do not oppose:



Salley Elliott