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In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM LAURENS COUNTY
Court of General Sessions
Edward W. Miller, Circuit Court Judge

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Court of Appeals Case No. 2015-001199
General Session Case No. 2014-GS-30-1477-82

JUL 11 2016

SC Court of Appeals

The State, Respondent

v.

Preston Shands, Jr., Appellant.

**Petition for Extension of Time to File Initial Brief
and Designation of Matter to be Included in Record on Appeal**

The appellant, Preston Shands, Jr., petitions this Court for an order extending the time to file his initial reply brief until Monday, July 18, 2016. This request is based on the following grounds:

- 1) This appeal, which follows a jury trial, involves convictions for first-degree burglary, attempted murder, kidnapping, possession of a knife during the commission of a violent crime, and assault and battery. The trial court judge imposed live sentences for first-degree burglary, attempted murder, and kidnapping.
- 2) On June 27, 2016, the State served its amended initial brief.
- 3) During the week of June 27, 2016, counsel was involved in the jury trial of State v. Bennie Brown, Jr., a Laurens County double homicide case. Counsel has been

preparing for the jury trial of State v. Brandon Holmes, a Greenwood County homicide by child abuse case, set to begin on Monday, July 11, 2016.

Counsel respectfully requests and extension of time to file the initial reply brief until Monday, July 18, 2016.

IT IS SO MOVED.

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I certify that I have served the Petition for Extension of Time to File Reply Brief, by placing a copy in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on the date reflected below, addressed as follows:

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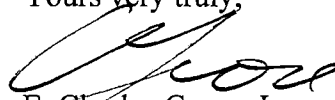
Dear Ms. Kitchens:

Enclosed please find the original and six copies of Mr. Shands' motion to extend time to file his initial reply brief.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

With kindest regards, I am

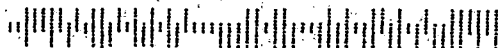
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