

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Lexington County  
R. Knox McMahon, Circuit Court Judge

SC Court of Appeals

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

MARTIN RODRIGUEZ,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-001902

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
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 filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Daniel Lee Lard with the Court of Appeals on July 13, 2016. Counsel filed petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Michael Carter with the Supreme Court on June 30, 2016. Counsel filed petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Gerald Barrett with the Supreme Court on June 28, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and

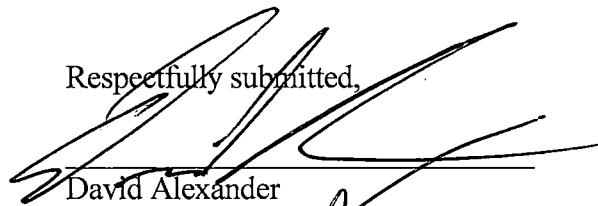
designation of matter in the case of State v. Richard Tedford with the Court of Appeals on June 2, 2016. Counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Robert Wazney with the Court of Appeals on May 25, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of In the Interest of Robert T., a Juvenile Under the Age of Seventeen with the Court of Appeals on May 20, 2016.

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.

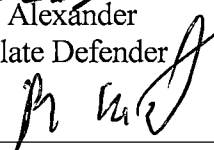
4. As indicated by the consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

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,

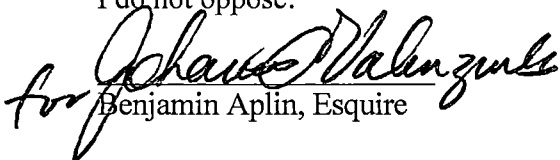


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July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

I do not oppose:

  
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