

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

 ORIGINAL

Appeal from Edgefield County

R. Knox McMahon, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

S.C. Supreme Court
RESPONDENT,

v.

STEVEN LOUIS BARNES,

APPELLANT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE BRIEF OF PETITIONER

Counsel for Steven Louis Barnes petitions the Court for a thirty day extension, in which to file the brief of petitioner in this case. In support of this petition, counsel shows:

1. The brief of petitioner is due to be filed with the Court today. This is the second extension for Mr. Barnes.
2. Counsel for Mr. Barnes respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.
3. Counsel is preparing for an oral argument, tomorrow, May 8, 2012. Counsel attended a conference last week in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Kareen Lee v. State and the return to petition for writ of certiorari in Andre Jackson v.

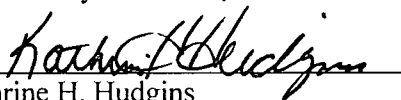
State on April 27, 2012. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari in State v. Bradley Ishman on April 25, 2012. Counsel filed filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Rontell Singletary v. State on April 23, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Thonal Edwards v. State on April 18, 2012 Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Dominic Derricotte v. State on April 5, 2012 and the petition for rehearing in Rodney Murray v. State. Counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in Antonio Bordeaux v. State on March 27, 2012. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in State v. Mark Baker on March 26, 2012. Counsel had an oral argument before the Supreme Court in Wendell Williams v. State on March 13, 2012. Counsel filed petitions for rehearing in Joseph Walker v. State and State v. Mike Salley on March 8, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Marion Stewart on March 5, 2012.

4. Counsel has not had time to complete the brief of petitioner in this case. As a result, counsel respectfully asks this Court for a thirty day extension, in which to file the brief of petitioner. Counsel is striving to limit the number of extensions requested. Counsel is attempting to complete the cases with the most number of extensions first.

5. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purposes of delay.

Counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension, in which to file the brief of petitioner in this case based upon the above circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,


Kathrine H. Hudgins
Appellate Defender

May 9, 2012

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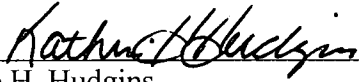
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that a true copy of the petition for extension of time in which to file the brief of petitioner in the above referenced case has been served upon David Spencer, Esquire, at Rembert Dennis Building, Room 519, 1000 Assembly Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, this 9th day of May, 2012.



Kathrine H. Hudgins
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me
this 9th day of May, 2012.

 (L.S.)

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: August 23, 2014.