

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Lexington County  
R. Scott Sprouse, Circuit Court Judge  
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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

JOHNNIE LEE LAWSON

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-0002467

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER  
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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 respondent in the case of State v. Josie Jones with the Supreme Court on July 22, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v. Darren Keith Belt with this Court on July 15, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Derrick Harriott v. State with the Supreme Court on July 5, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v. Justin Cameron Harden with this Court on June 24, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of Martina R.

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Putnam v. State with the Supreme Court on June 23, 2016. Counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Mandy Lenore Smith with the Supreme Court on June 22, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Timothy Young v. State with the Supreme Court on June 8, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Yorel Williams v. State with the Supreme Court on June 8, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Lorenzo D. Sullivan v. State with the Supreme Court on June 2, 2016


3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.

4. As indicated by his 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.

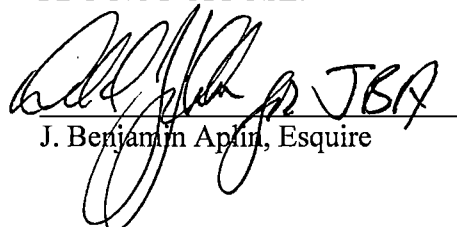
Respectfully submitted,

  
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Laura R. Baer  
Appellate Defender

  
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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

August 1, 2016

I DO NOT OPPOSE:

  
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J. Benjamin Aplin, Esquire