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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Chester County

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Honorable Brian M. Gibbons, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

SC Court of Appeals

RESPONDENT,

V.

JASON MORTON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-002641

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 Anders brief of appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of State v. Christopher Allen Middleton with this Court on August 4, 2016. 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 this Court 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,

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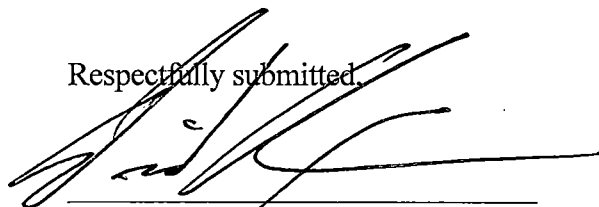
2016. Counsel filed petition for writ of certiorari to this Court and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Gerald Barrett with the Supreme Court on June 28, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Richard Tedford with this Court on June 2, 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.

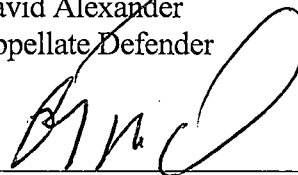
4. As indicated by the consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

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,



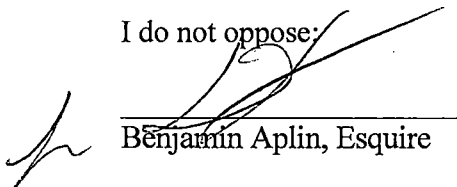
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August 5, 2016

I do not oppose:



Benjamin Aplin, Esquire