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APPEAL FROM LAURENS COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

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The Honorable Frank Addy, Circuit Court Judge

SC Court of Appeals

Appellate Case No. 2015-002435

State of South Carolina, Respondent,

v.

Gregory Fielder, Appellant.

**MOTION FOR THIRD EXTENSION
TO SERVE AND FILE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

Respondent, through its undersigned counsel, would respectfully show unto this Court:

I.

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter are due to be served and filed today. Pursuant to RE: Extension Requests in Criminal Direct Appeals and Post-Conviction Relief Certiorari Proceedings: Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009, Respondent moves for a third and final extension in the above referenced appeal. Due to work required in other cases pending before this Court, the South Carolina Supreme Court, and the Court of Common Pleas, I am unable to complete this Brief on time. The undersigned has completed numerous appellate filings (returns to petitions for writ of certiorari and an initial brief) and post-trial

matters in circuit court over the last several weeks.

II.

This extension request is not intended for purposes of delay, but rather to ensure the Brief is properly researched and prepared. I would therefore request a third and final extension of time within which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter.

WHEREFORE, Respondent prays the Court hold this matter in abeyance until ruling on this motion, and extend the deadline for the service and filing of the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in this case for thirty (30) days from the date such relief is granted; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.


Respectfully submitted,

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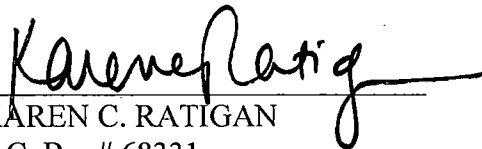
PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Karen C. Ratigan, certify that I have today served the within Motion for a Third Extension to Serve and File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter upon Appellant by depositing a copy of the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served. This 8th day of August, 2016.


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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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Re: The State v. Gregory Fielder
Appellate Case No. 2015-002435

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the original and six (6) copies of a Motion for Third Extension to File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter, along with proof of service, in the above-referenced appeal.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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