

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from Lexington County

Honorable D. Craig Brown, Circuit Court Judge

ALBERT OWENS,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO 2016-000649

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF
CERTIORARI AND APPENDIX

Counsel respectfully requests a **final extension of thirty (30) days until October 31, 2016**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a third request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix is due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions previously granted

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and the order in which counsel attempts to manage his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.


3. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Paula Reed Rose with the Court of Appeals on September 14, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Dennis F. Sanders v. The State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on September 6, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Devionne Devaughn McClain with the Court of Appeals on September 6, 2016. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner and accompanying appendix in the case of Lloyd Wright v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on August 17, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Robert Steven Jolly with the Court of Appeals on August 17, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Shane A. Mahon with the Court of Appeals on August 10, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Vondell Malachi v. The State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on August 5, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Gene D. Cook with the Court of Appeals on August 1, 2016. Counsel filed the resentencing motion in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Michael Smith in the Court of General Sessions, First Judicial Circuit on July 21, 2016. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Andre Robinson v. The State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on July 18, 2016. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. David Lee Walker with the Court of Appeals on July 15, 2016.

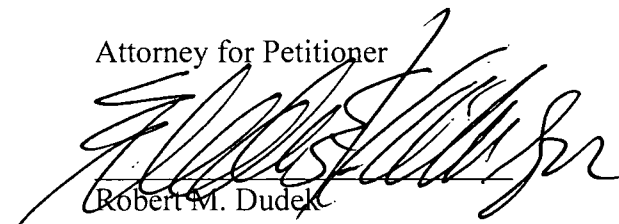
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request as shown by signature below.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until October 31, 2016**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.


Respectfully submitted,


John H. Strom
Appellate Defender

Attorney for Petitioner

Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 30th day of September, 2016

I Consent:


Patrick Schmeckpeper, Esquire