

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Laurens County

Honorable Frank R. Addy, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

WILLIE CLARENCE PITTS,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO 2016-000423

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for appellant respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days, **until November 23, 2016**, in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter 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 initial brief of appellant and designation of matter are due to be filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel two previous extensions.
2. Counsel for appellant 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 his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

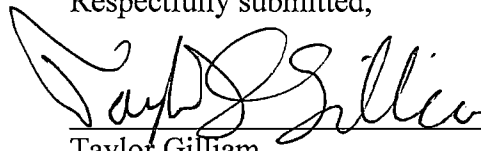
3. Appellate Defender Taylor D. Gilliam began working with the Division of Appellate Defense on Thursday, June 2, 2016. This case was assigned to him as the counsel of record on June 29th, 2016.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

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

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension, **until November 23, 2016**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the brief be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Gilliam
Appellate Defender

Attorney for Appellant



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 24th day of October, 2016.

I consent:


Benjamin Aplin, Esquire