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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Anderson County  
R. Scott Sprouse, Circuit Court Judge

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SC Court of Appeals

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

ROYRES ANTWON PATTERSON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2016-001084

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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. Today, January 20, 2017, counsel will file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. David Ray Brown with this Court. Counsel is currently doing research on legal issues involved in the upcoming Aiken v. Byers juvenile resentencing hearings for a comprehensive presentation. On January 18, 2017 counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Robert L. Moore before this Court. On January 3, 2017,



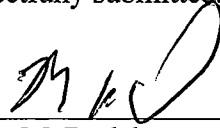
counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of The State v. Ryan P. Deleston with the Supreme Court. On December 30, 2016, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the double jeopardy case of The State v. Bryan Rearick with the United States Supreme Court. On December 19, 2016, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of The State v. Thomas James with the Supreme Court. On December 9, 2016, counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of The State v. Harold Bennon Cartwright, III, with the Supreme Court. On December 1, 2016, counsel, along with co-counsel, Lara M. Caudy, filed the reply to the return to the petition for writ of certiorari in the death penalty case of Anthony Woods v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court. On November 21, 2016, counsel filed the brief in opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Antonio Miller with the United States Supreme Court. **Counsel has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender, including administrative and Appellate Project oversight, and, training four less experienced appellate defenders and reading all of their writings.**

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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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender



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T. Patton Adams  
Executive Director/  
J. Hugh Ryan, III  
General Counsel

January 20, 2017

I do not oppose:



For Donald J. Zelenka, Esquire