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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from Richland County
G. Thomas Cooper, Circuit Court Judge

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S.C. SUPREME COURT
RESPONDENT,

NORMAN MITCHELL,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

PETITIONER

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2016-000241

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

Counsel for Norman Mitchell respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, until March 23, 2017**, in which to file the Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari 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 Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari are due to be served and filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel two previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Norman Mitchell 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 her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel appeared in general session's court in Florence County for a hearing on the state's motion to dismiss the defendant's motion for resentencing in State v. Ronald Mack on February 17, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in State v. Stephon Robinson with the Court of Appeals today, February 13, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in William Patrick Deaton v. State with this Court on February 13, 2017. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Alonda B. Desaussure v. State with this Court on February 7, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. David Glover with the Court of Appeals on January 24, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Boyd Rashaeen Evans v. State with this Court on January 20, 2017. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Calvin Terrell Williams with the Court of Appeals on January 18, 2017. Counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant in the case of State v. Dean Distasio with the Court of Appeals on January 12, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v. Preston Mozeak with the Court of Appeals on January 11, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v. Richard A. Capell with the Court of Appeals on January 9, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v. John Calvin Sledge with the Court of Appeals on January 9, 2017. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Leonard B. Goodwin v. State with this Court on January 3, 2017.

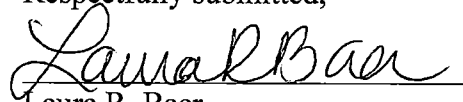
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office has been informed of this request as shown by signature below.

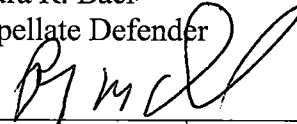
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension, until March 23, 2017**, in which to file the Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that the time limits for filing the return to the petition for writ of certiorari be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

This 21st day of February, 2017.

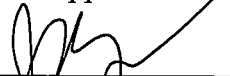
Respectfully submitted,



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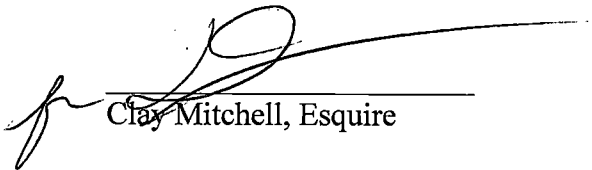


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I consent:


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