

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Lancaster County

Honorable R. Markley Dennis, Circuit Court Judge

JOSEPH BRADLEY LOFTIN,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2017-000667

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND ACCOMPANYING APPENDIX

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a **final thirty day extension, until September 18, 2017**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel will file the initial brief of appellant in State v. Jacoby Gregory with the Court of Appeals today, August 18, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in State v. Terrence Fraizer with the Court of Appeals on August 16, 2017. Counsel filed the reply to return to petition for writ of certiorari in the case of William P. Deaton v. State with this Court on August 8, 2016. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Joseph

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Simmons v. State with this Court on August 7, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in State v. Stanley Moultrie with the Court of Appeals on August 1, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Anthony Martin v. State with this Court July 26, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Samuel Brown, Jr. v. State with this Court on July 13, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Ortavious Mitchell v. State with this Court July 3, 2017.

3. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state does not oppose this request.

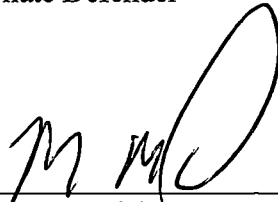
4. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty day extension, until September 18, 2017**. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



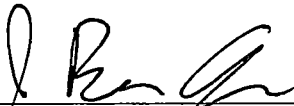
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August 18, 2017

I do not oppose:



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