

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Clarendon County

Honorable Roger M. Young, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

CHAD MORRIS,

APPELLANT

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APPELLATE CASE NO 2016-001713

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

Counsel for appellant respectfully requests a **fifth and final extension of fifteen (15) days until October 27, 2017**, 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 fifth 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 prior counsel four previous extensions.
2. Counsel for appellant respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. **This case was reassigned to counsel on October 10, 2017 due to prior counsel, John Strom, leaving the Division of Appellate**

Defense on October 6, 2017. The transcript in this case is 719 pages long and appears to have at least one very meritorious issue.

3. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the case of The State v. Mark Stephen Wingo with the Supreme Court on October 9, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the case of The State v. Michael Lamar Couch with the Supreme Court on October 6, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jimmy Edward Duncan with the Court of Appeals on September 29, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Frankie Moore Vereen v. State with the Supreme Court on September 18, 2017. Counsel filed the brief pursuant White v. State in State v. Bernard McFadden with the Supreme Court on September 18, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Bernard McFadden v. State with the Supreme Court on September 18, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Earnest Edward Vaughn, Sr. with the Court of Appeals on August 22, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Jamie Edward Morris v. State with the Supreme Court on August 18, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Dennis Temple v. State with the Supreme Court on August 2, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. John William Dobbins with the Court of Appeals on July 27, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Evelyn Christine Nixon with the Court of Appeals on July 26, 2017. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Ronald Douglas Michaux, Jr. with the Court of Appeals on July 24, 2017. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in Joshua David Crosby v. State with the Supreme Court on July 21, 2017.

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 shown by signature below.

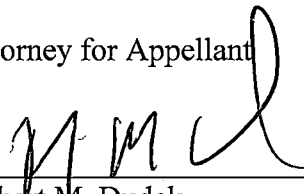
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final fifteen (15) day extension until October 27, 2017** in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

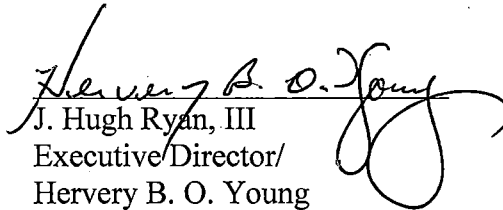


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This 12th day of October, 2017.

I consent:



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