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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM BEAUFORT COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas  
Carmen T. Mullen, Circuit Court Judge

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Appellate Case No. 2017-001492  
Case No. 2015-CP-07-01147

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Darrell J. Alston, Jr. and Mabel L. Alston, Appellants,

v.

Beaufort County School District and South Carolina High School League, Defendants,

Of which South Carolina High School League is the Respondent.

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

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Respondent South Carolina High School League (the League), by and through the undersigned attorneys, respectfully requests a 30-day extension from the present January 17, 2018, deadline to file its Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above referenced case. Counsel cites the upcoming Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday on Monday, January 15, 2018, and a heavy workload with limited staff as the basis for this request. For the foregoing reasons, the League respectfully requests that the Court grant its request for an extension.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned legal assistant of the law offices of Sowell Gray Robinson Stepp & Laffitte, LLC, attorneys for Respondent§ South Carolina High School League, do hereby certify that I have served all counsel in this action with a copy of the pleading(s) hereinbelow specified by mailing a copy of the same by United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the following address(es):

**Pleadings:**

Respondent South Carolina High School League Request for an Extension to File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter

**Counsel Served:**

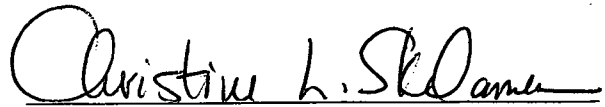
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**Via Hand Delivery**

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk of Court  
South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Re: Darrell J. Alston, Jr. and Mabel L. Alston v. Beaufort County School  
District and South Carolina High School League  
Appellate Case No. 2017-001492  
Our File No. 5346/1532

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing are the original and seven copies of Respondent South Carolina High School League Request for Extension of a 30-day extension for filing the Initial Brief of Respondent. I have enclosed a certificate of service on all counsel of record as well as a \$25.00 filing fee for this motion. Please return a filed copy to me via our courier.

By copy of this letter to counsel shown below, I am serving a copy of same upon them by mail.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With warmest regards, I remain

Sincerely,

Michael Montgomery

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Enclosures

cc: Bruce R. Hoffman, Esq.  
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