

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Laurens County

Honorable Frank R. Addy, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

V.

BRENDA L. ROBERTS,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2017-001103

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

Counsel for Brenda L. Roberts respectfully requests an extension of a **final thirty (30) days, until May 18, 2018**, 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 fourth 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 counsel three previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Brenda L. Roberts respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions

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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 had an oral argument in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Nathaniel Wright before the Court of Appeals on April 18, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Elvira Lynn Seay v. The State of South Carolina with the Court of Appeals on April 12, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Kelvin Jones with the Court of Appeals on April 9, 2018. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Walter Monroe Lance v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on April 6, 2018. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Nathaniel Antron Hunter with the Court of Appeals on April 4, 2018. Counsel filed the Anders Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Joshua Lenard Poacher with the Court of Appeals on April 4, 2018. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Steve Leon Griffin v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on March 30, 2018. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of Darryl Frierson v. The State of South Carolina before the Supreme Court on March 29, 2018. Counsel filed the Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of John Henry Smith v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on March 14, 2018. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Vance Ross with the Court of Appeals on March 7, 2018. Counsel filed the Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Ralph Beverly Hayes v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on February 26, 2018. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Robert Matthew Fulmer v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on February 26, 2018. Counsel filed the Anders Brief of Appellant pursuant to White v.

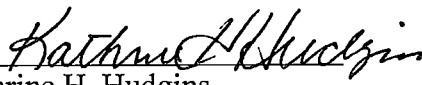
State in the case of Robert Matthew Fulmer v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on February 26, 2018. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Christopher Jermaine Wells with the Supreme Court on February 20, 2018.

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.

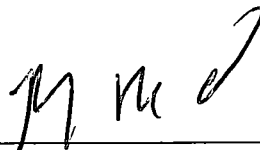
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) days, until May 18, 2018**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

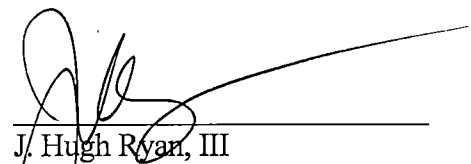


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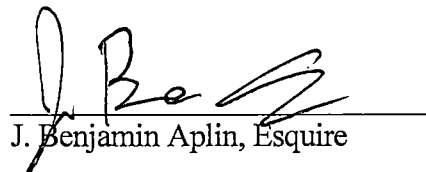
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This 18th day of April, 2018.

I consent:



J. Benjamin Aplin, Esquire