

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from Dorchester County
Benjamin H. Culbertson, Circuit Court Judge

RANDAL WILLIAM BENTON,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2017-002021

**MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION TO FILE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND APPENDIX**

Counsel for Randal William Benton respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, until June 4, 2018**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case. In support of this request, counsel would respectfully show the following exigent circumstances:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel two previous extensions.

2. Counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v Gerome C. Smith in the Supreme Court on April 26, 2018.

Counsel filed the reply brief of petitioner in the case of Allen J. Gathings v State in the Supreme

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Court on April 24, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of appellant in the case of State v Valentino Hayward in the Court of Appeals on April 23, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v Jake Lake in the Supreme Court on April 23, 2018. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of State v Byron Kinsey in the Court of Appeals on April 18, 2018. Counsel argued in the case of State v. James Simmons in the Supreme Court on April 17, 2018. Counsel argued in the case of State v. John Massey in the Court of Appeals on April 12, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Thomas Shewtzuk in the Court of Appeals on April 10, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Shane Adam Burdette in the Supreme Court on April 6, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. James Wayne Miller in the Court of Appeals on April 5, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Fabian Green in the Court of Appeals on April 4, 2018. Counsel argued in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Kenneth Campbell in the Supreme Court on March 29, 2018. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of State v. Michael Green in the Court of Appeals on March 27, 2018. Counsel represented Alexander Hunsberger in the Motion to Dismiss Hearing in Saluda County on March 21, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Arthur Rivers v. State in the Supreme Court on March 16, 2018. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of State v. Matthew Z. K. in the Court of Appeals on March 12, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Dennis E. Cervantes-Pavon in the Supreme Court on March 8, 2018. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Marvin Brown in the Supreme Court on March 5, 2018.

3. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purposes of delay.
4. Counsel for the Attorney General's office has been informed of this request as shown by signature below.

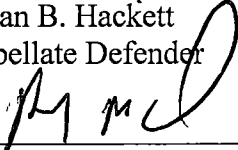
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension, until June 4, 2018**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

This 4th day of May, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

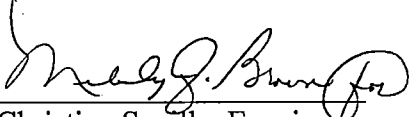


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I consent:



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