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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Lexington County
Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOHN CHRISTOPHER HART,

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SC Court of Appeals

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2017-001291

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

Counsel for John Christopher Hart respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension, until August 22, 2018**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel three previous extensions.
2. Counsel for John Christopher Hart respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the

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number of extensions previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

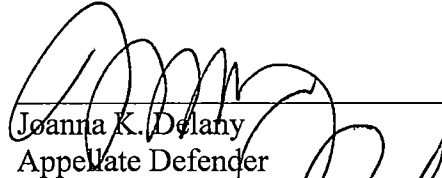
3. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Devante Antonio Grant with this Court on July 20, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Antonio Romeo v. The State with the Supreme Court on July 18, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Eric Wright v. The State with the Supreme Court on July 2, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Chavis Aikman v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 27, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Leonard Jenkins v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 18, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Dominique Cash v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 13, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Laurie Hollis v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 6, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari with the accompanying appendix in the case of Kelvin Jackson v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 4, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Tappia Green with this Court on May 30, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jon Smart with this Court on May 4, 2018.

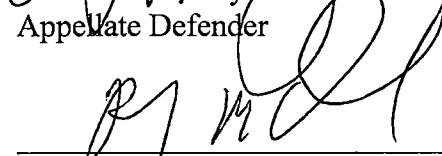
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

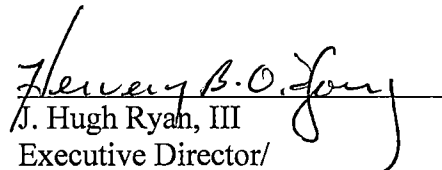
5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request shown by signature below.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until August 22, 2018**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that the time limits for filing the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

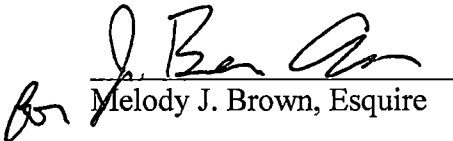

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This 23rd day of July, 2018.

I do not oppose:


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