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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Horry County

Larry B. Hyman, Circuit Court Judge  
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THE STATE,

APPELLANT,

v.

JAVON DION GIBBS,

RESPONDENT

Appellate Case No. 2017-001846  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER  
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The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension in which to file the initial brief of respondent and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of respondent and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Larry Cornish with this Court on August 23, 2018. Counsel filed the return to petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Jeffrey Andrews with this Court on August 17, 2018. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of The State v. Richard P. Krochmal with the Supreme Court on August 9, 2018. Counsel filed the petition



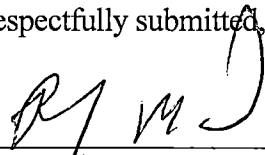
for rehearing in the case of The State v. Jeffrey Andrews with this Court on August 2, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Derrick Darby v. The State with the Supreme Court on August 1, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Ron Santa McCray v. The State with the Supreme Court on July 30, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Marcus Addison v. The State with the Supreme Court on July 23, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Willie Smallwood with this Court on July 18, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Tony McKinley Dillard with this Court on July 12, 2018. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of The State v. Dalonte Green with the Supreme Court on July 10, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. George Anthony Clark with this Court on July 6, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Gregory Dash with this Court on June 29, 2018. **Counsel has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender, including administrative and Appellate Project oversight, and training two less experienced appellate defenders.**

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes 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.

4. As indicated by the counsel below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the initial brief of respondent and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,




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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

August 24, 2018

I DO NOT OPPOSE:

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*for* J. Clayton Mitchell, Esquire