

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Horry County

Honorable William H. Seals, Circuit Court Judge

IN THE MATTER OF THE CARE AND  
TREATMENT OF OTIS ALFORD,

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SC Court of Appeals

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2018-001496

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant 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 appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of The State v. Gabriel Gratto with the Supreme Court on February 14, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of The State v. Jovan Mitchell with the Supreme Court on January 22, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of The State v. Timothy Beheler with the Supreme Court on January 22, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of

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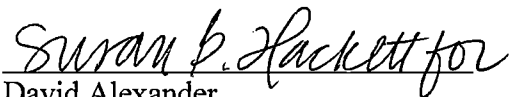
matter in the case of The State v. Peter Coffey with this Court on January 9, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Michael Seals with this Court on January 3, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Tyshun Bessellieu with this Court on January 2, 2019. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of Eugene Austin Gardner, III v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 31, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Robin Herndon with this Court on December 21, 2018. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Henry James Fickling, Jr. with this Court on December 18, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of The State v. Terrance Johnson with the Supreme Court on December 18, 2018. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of The State v. Vladimir Pantovich with the Supreme Court on December 17, 2018.

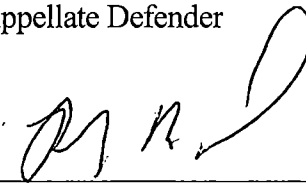
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

4. As indicated by the consent 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 appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

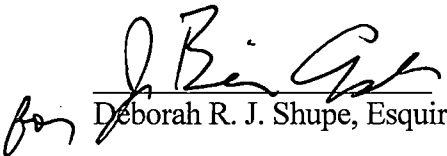
Respectfully submitted,

  
David Alexander  
Appellate Defender

  
Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

This 15th day of February, 2019

I do not oppose:

  
Deborah R. J. Shupe, Esquire