

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Lancaster County

Brooks P. Goldsmith, Circuit Court Judge

BENECO GANSON,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2018-001736

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND ACCOMPANYING APPENDIX

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty-day extension, **until March 22, 2019**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

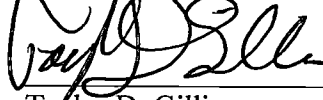
1. The petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of David Stephens v. State with this Court on February 19, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jonathan Hellams with the

Court of Appeals on February 13, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Ashley McKenzie with the Court of Appeals on February 11, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Terrell Freeman with the Court of Appeals on February 6, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Lapris Flowers with the Court of Appeals on February 1, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Charles Green v. State with this Court on January 28, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Demossio Valentine v. State with this Court on January 18, 2019. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Eric Spratt v. The State on January 9, 2019 with the Court of Appeals. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Joseph Chappell with the Court of Appeals on January 7, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Lavonte Fabor v. State in this Court on December 28, 2018. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the case of Christopher Cobb v. State with this Court on December 21, 2018.

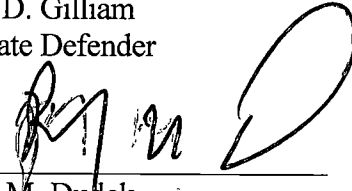
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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Appellate Defender



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Chief Appellate Defender

February 20, 2019

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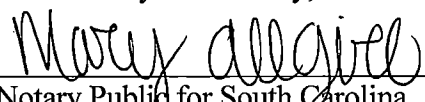
The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that a true copy of the petition for extension to file petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above referenced case has been served upon Samuel Key, Esquire, Office of the Attorney General, at Rembert Dennis Building, Room 519, 1000 Assembly Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, this 20th day of February, 2019.



Taylor D. Gilliam
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me
this 20th day of February, 2019.

 (L.S.)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: May 12, 2027.