

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Horry County

Honorable William H. Seals, Circuit Court Judge

ORIGINAL

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

APPELLANT

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APPELLATE CASE NO. 2018-001496

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

Counsel for Otis Alford respectfully requests a **fourth and final** extension of thirty (30) days **until April 17, 2019**, days in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

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

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

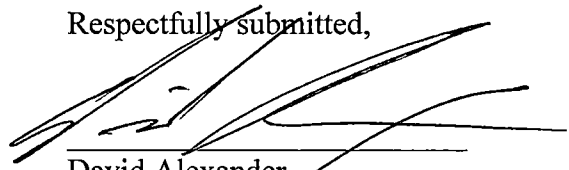
3. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Michael P. Cornelius v. The State with the Supreme Court on March 11, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Scott Rowan with this Court on March 4, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Johnny James Cook with this Court on February 26, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Casey Jones, Jr. with this Court on February 19, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Gabriel Gratto v. The State with the Supreme Court on February 14, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Jovan Mitchell v. The State with the Supreme Court on January 22, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Timothy Beheler v. The State with the Supreme Court on January 22, 2019.

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.

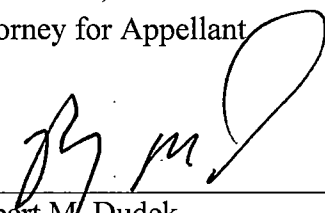
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension** until **April 17, 2019**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the brief be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

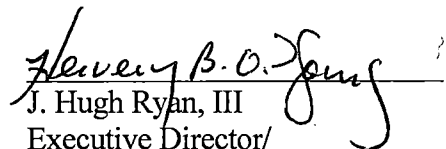


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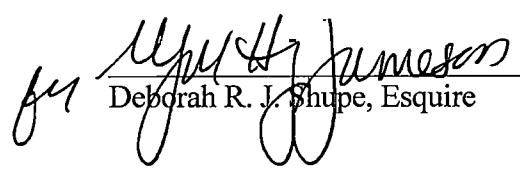
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Director

This 18th day of March, 2019.

I consent:


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