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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Certiorari to Horry County

Paul M. Burch, Circuit Court Judge  
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JOHN EDWARD SESSIONS,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2018-001821  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
AND ACCOMPANYING APPENDIX  
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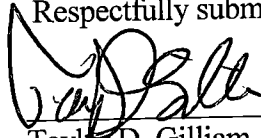
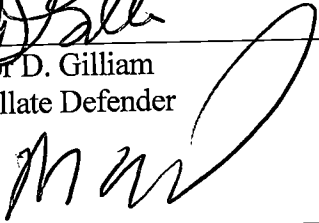
The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty-day extension, **until May 17, 2019**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

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 Charles Pennell v. The State with the Supreme Court on April 10, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Ricky Passmore v. The

State with the Supreme Court on April 1, 2019. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of The State v. Samuel Alexander with the Supreme Court on March 25, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix and the brief of appellant pursuant to White v. State in the case of James Wilson v. State with the Supreme Court on March 15, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Allen Bobo v. State with the Supreme Court on March 8, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Lawrence Kelley with the Court of Appeals on March 4, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of Dajlia Torbitt v. State with the Supreme Court on March 1, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of David Stephens v. State with the Supreme 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.

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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Taylor D. Gilliam  
Appellate Defender  
  
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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

April 17, 2019

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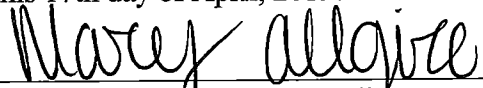
The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that a true copy of the petition for extension to file petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above referenced case has been served upon Johnny E. James, Jr., Esquire, Office of the Attorney General, at Rembert Dennis Building, Room 519, 1000 Assembly Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, this 17th day of April, 2019.



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Taylor D. Gilliam  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me  
this 17th day of April, 2019.

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Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission Expires: May 12, 2027.