

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Andereson County

J.C. Buddy Nicholson, Circuit Court Judge  
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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

DARRELL EUGENE BLACKWELL,

APPELLANT

Appellate Case No. 2018-001892  
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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER  
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Counsel for Darrell Eugene Blackwell respectfully requests an extension of **thirty (30) days, until July 12, 2019**, 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. 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 Darrell Eugene Blackwell 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.

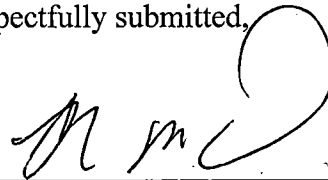
3. Counsel had oral argument in the case of The State v. Robert Lee Moore before the Supreme Court on June 10, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Mikel Terrell Francis with this Court on June 3, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Casey Dajuan Geter with this Court on May 21, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. David Matthew Carter with this Court on May 14, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Brandon Childers with this Court on May 3, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Ricky Anthony Short with this Court on April 26, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Randall Clark with this Court on April 16, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Rickey Wilson with this Court on April 10, 2019. **Counsel has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender, including administrative and Appellate Project oversight, and training four less experienced appellate defenders and reviewing all their filings in advance.**

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.

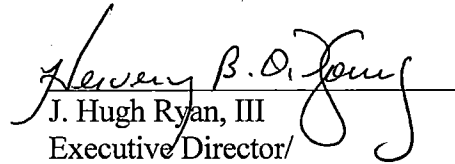
5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request shown by signature below.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **thirty (30) day extension, until July 12, 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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This 12th day of June, 2019.

I consent:

  
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