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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Richland County
L. Casey Manning, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

v.

CEDRICT HOPKINS,

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RESPONDENT

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2018-002060

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 plans to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Richard E. Tedford v. The State with the Supreme Court on today, July 1, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jarnelle Ladarius Ervin with this Court on June 12, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of John Barnes v. The State with the Supreme

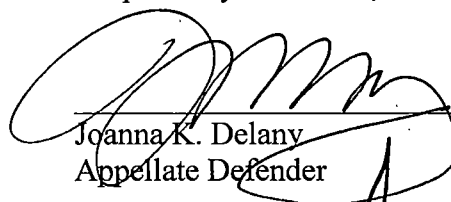
Court on June 7, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Ronald Duyane Davis with this Court on June 5, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Geraldo Dametrius Land with this Court on May 28, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Bryan Jeffrey Ellis with this Court on May 23, 2019. Counsel had oral argument before the Supreme Court in the case of The State v. Jo Pradubsri on May 8, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. John Arthur James, III, with this Court on April 29, 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.

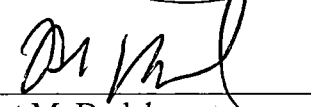
4. The undersigned counsel has consulted with counsel for the state, and she is authorized to advise the Court that the state consents to or does not oppose the requested relief.

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,



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This 1st day of July, 2019.