

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Beaufort County

Robert E. Hood, Circuit Court Judge

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RESPONDENT, **SC Court of Appeals**

THE STATE,

V.

BEN REED, IV,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-000355

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty-day extension until November 8, 2019** 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 exigent circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today having been extended by three prior orders of this Court.

2. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Harold Lee Jones v. State in the Supreme Court on September 20, 2019. Counsel filed the

Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Greg K. Isaac v. State in the Supreme Court on September 16, 2019. On September 11, 2019, Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Brian Willie Benson Lewis before the Court of Appeals. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of Tammy Dianne Brown v. State with the Court of Appeals on August 28, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of Steven Deontae Hooper v. State with the Court of appeals on August 28, 20219. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Lance Antonio Brewton with the Court of Appeals today, August 23, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Victoria Lorraine Sanchez with the Court of Appeals today, August 21, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Torren M. Eady v. The State in the Supreme Court on August 14, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Caziek Lightly v. The State in the Supreme Court on August 14, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Bobby Jones, Sr. in the Court of Appeals on July 22, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Malik Jabree Singleton in the Court of Appeals on August 7, 2019. Counsel is preparing and consulting with Chief Appellate Defender, Robert M. Dudek, on the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the cases of State v. Therron Renard Richardson, and State v. William D. Pennington which he plans to file with the Court of Appeals in the upcoming weeks.

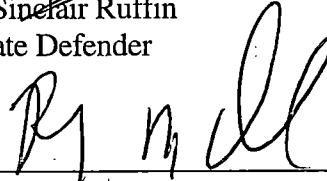
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.
4. As indicated by their consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty-day extension until November 8, 2019** in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case. Counsel 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.

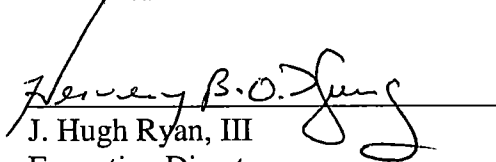
Respectfully submitted,



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Appellate Defender



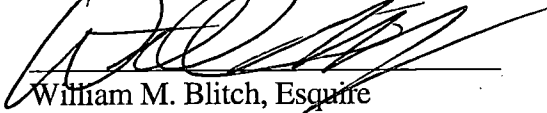
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Chief Appellate Defender



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October 9, 2019

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



William M. Blich, Esquire