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IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Aiken County

J. Cordell Maddox, Jr., Circuit Court Judge  
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S.C. Supreme Court

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JUAN OROZCO,

PETITIONER

Appellate Case No. 2011-192226  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
THE BRIEF OF PETITIONER  
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The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a **final five-day extension, until February 20, 2013**, in which to file the brief of petitioner in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The brief of petitioner in this case is due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel has been in Horry County all day yesterday and today regarding State v. Gagnon. **Counsel regrets the necessity of this extension request. Counsel's elderly mother was in the hospital, and then needed to be moved into a nursing home for physical rehabilitation. Counsel is the power of attorney. Counsel also has had follow-up medical appointments following two different surgeries. Counsel is making every effort to become more current after falling behind on his caseload based on the above extraordinary**

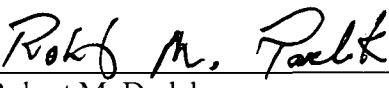
**circumstances.** On February 13, 2013, Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Paul Reid v. State in this Court, the return to the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of State v. Richard Bill Niles, Jr. in this Court, and the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Christopher M. Stephens in the Court of Appeals. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Steven Barnes, a **death penalty** case in this Court, on February 5, 2013. Additionally, Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Gene Tony Cooper in the United States Supreme Court, on February 5, 2013. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Jason Franks in the Court of Appeals on January 31, 2013. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Dadrin Jerome Johnson (in the COA) in this Court on January 18, 2013. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Adams Gibson in this Court on January 10, 2013. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Tyrone A. Ravenell v. State in this Court on January 7, 2013. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari in the case of James v. Helms v. State in this Court on December 27, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Randy Vickery (in the COA) in this Court on December 21, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Gerald Pitts in the Court of Appeals on December 19, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Leroy Laird in the Court of Appeals on December 12, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Tito Harris in the Court of Appeals on December 7, 2012. **Counsel also has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender.**

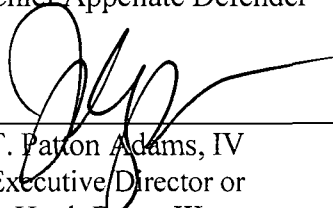
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

4. As indicated by his consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final five-day extension, until February 20, 2013**. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the brief of petitioner be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

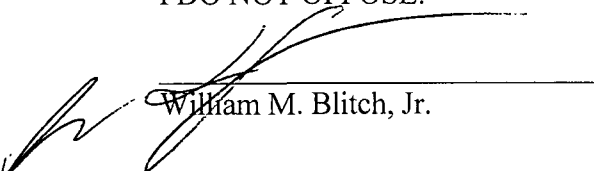
Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Director or  
J. Hugh Ryan, III  
General Counsel

February 15, 2013

I DO NOT OPPOSE:

  
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William M. Blich, Jr.