

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Horry County

Steven H. John, Circuit Court Judge  
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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

EDWARD LEE WASHINGTON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-000976  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT AND  
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**  
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The undersigned counsel would respectfully request 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 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 two prior orders of this Court.

2. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Keith Sheldon Levan v. State with the Supreme Court on December 27, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Andre Tayson Boone v. State with the Supreme Court on December 9, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of

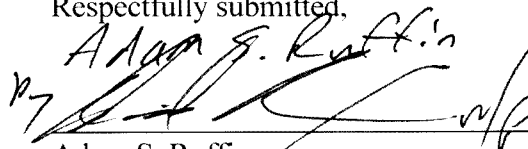
appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Joshua CW Reher with the Court of Appeals on December 2, 2019. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of James Trapp v. State with the Supreme Court on November 27, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Victor Smith v. State with the Supreme Court on November 27, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of Ben Reed, IV. v. State with the Court of Appeals on November 8, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Johnny Neal Sexton, III v. State with the Supreme Court on November 8, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. William Dean Pennington in the Court of Appeals on November 4, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Leslie Davis in the Court of Appeals on October 23, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Therron Renard Richardson in the Court of Appeals on October 16, 2019. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Thomas Stephen Acker in the Court of Appeals on October 10, 2019. 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.

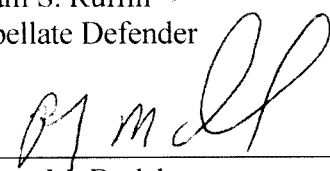
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.

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 thirty-day extension 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.

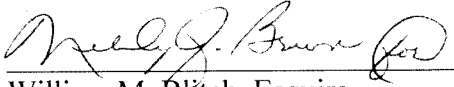
Respectfully submitted,

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January 3, 2020

I DO NOT OPPOSE:

  
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