

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Marion County

Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

COURTNEY ANTHONY SMITH,

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-000857

APPELLANT
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SC Court of Appeals

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 February 20, 2020** 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 Keith Sheldon Levan v. State with the Supreme Court on December 27, 2019. Counsel

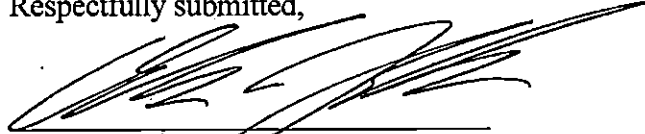
filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Andre Tayson Boone v. State with the Supreme Court on December 9, 2019. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Joshua CW Reher with the Court of Appeals on December 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.

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

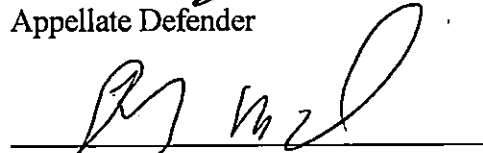
4. As indicated by his consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty-day extension until February 20, 2020** 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.

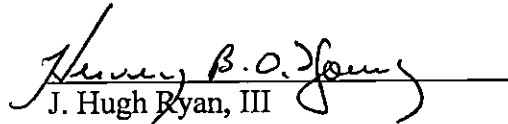
Respectfully submitted,



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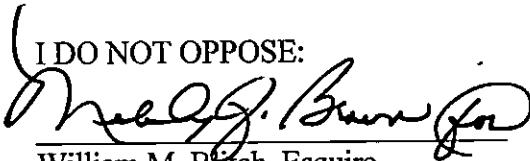
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January 21, 2020

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



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