

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Charleston County
Honorable R. Markley Dennis, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

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RESPONDENT, FEB 07 2020

SC Court of Appeals

v.

SETH HASSAN SMITH,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-001418

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 filed the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Michael Lee Trotter with this Court on February 3, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of Guadalupe Guzman Morales v. The State of South Carolina with this Court on January 23, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of


certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Jason Sinatra Edwards v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 22, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Robert David Nolen with this Court on January 16, 2020. Counsel filed the brief of appellant pursuant to White v. State in the case of Leroy Glover, Jr. v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 9, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Leroy Glover, Jr. v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 9, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of Brandon Heath Clark v. The State of South Carolina with this Court on December 27, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Sandy Lee Locklear v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on December 23, 2019. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Tristian Cummings with this Court on December 20, 2019. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Jerry Dean Heard v. The State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on December 4, 2019. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State of South Carolina v. Keshawn Melvin Rice with this Court on December 4, 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.

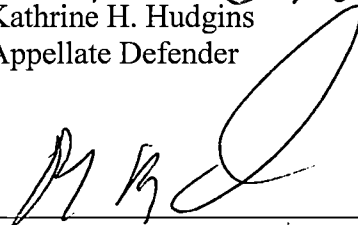
4. As indicated by the counsel below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. 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,



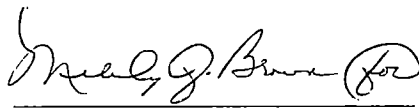
Kathrine H. Hudgins
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 7th day of February, 2020.

I do not oppose:



William M. Blich, Jr., Esquire