

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Aiken County

Thomas W. Cooper, Circuit Court Judge

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**May 26 2020**

**SC Court of Appeals**

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

TEQUAN MARTRELL HOLMES,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-01313

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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 **final thirty-day extension until June 25, 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 will e-file the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Bernard Jackson with the Court of Appeals today, May 26, 2020. Counsel e-filed

the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Roger Bruce v. State with the Supreme Court on May 15, 2020. Counsel e-filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Kenneth Robinson v. State with the Supreme Court on April 13, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Donald Richburg with the Court of Appeals on April 3, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Abdul Furquan v. State with the Supreme Court on March 19, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Jermasha Nelson with the Court of Appeals on March 19, 2020. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Edward Lee Washington with the Court of Appeals on March 4, 2020. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Johnny Tyler Padgett in the Court of Appeals on March 4, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Stephen Douglas Berry v. State with the Supreme Court on February 26, 2020. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Courtney A. Smith with the Court of Appeals on February 20, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Frankie Lee Davis, III, with the Court of Appeals on February 5, 2020. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Ansel Bradley Wallen with the Court of Appeals on February 3, 2020. 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.

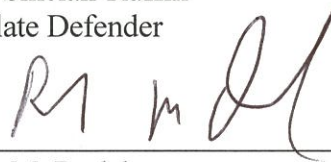
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.
4. Counsel for the state has graciously consented to this request in writing.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty-day extension until June 25, 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.

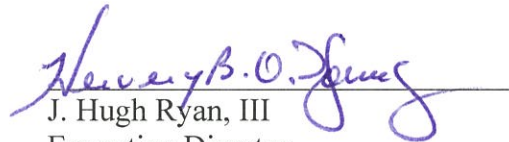
Respectfully submitted,

s/Adam Ruffin

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE  
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Pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order "RE: Operation of the Appellate Courts During the Coronavirus Emergency," dated March 20, 2020, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the fourth extension request in the above-referenced case has been served upon Melody J. Brown, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 26th day of May, 2020.

s/Adam Ruffin  
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