

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Spartanburg County
Grace Gilchrist Knie, Circuit Court Judge

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SC Court of Appeals

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

THOMAS RAYNES MARETT,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2019-001385

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for Thomas Raynes Marett respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension, until July 27, 2020**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel three previous extensions.

2. Counsel for Thomas Raynes Marett respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Derrick Lamont Wade v. State in the Supreme Court on June 18, 2020. Counsel filed the return to the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Patrick O’Neil McGowan with this Court on June 15, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Carlos Anthony Dennison with this Court on June 10, 2020. Counsel had oral argument before this Court in the case of Terrance L. Bland v. The State on June 3, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Alqi Dhimo v. State in the Supreme Court on May 29, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Curnez Ellerbee with this Court on May 8, 2020. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Marcus A. Nelson v. State in the Supreme Court on April 27, 2020.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose 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.

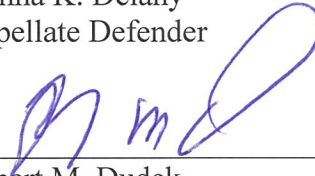
5. Opposing counsel, Matthew Buchanan, has graciously consented to this extension request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until July 27, 2020**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. 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/ Joanna K. Delany

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This 25th day of June, 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 Motion for an Extension of Time in the above-referenced case has been served upon Matthew Buchanan, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 25th day of June, 2020.

s/ Joanna K. Delany

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ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT