

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Horry County

Honorable Steven H. John, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOHNATHAN RAKIM BRIGHT,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-000076

MOTION 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 initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Robert Garrett with the Court of Appeals on August 21, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Miranda Taylor with the Court of Appeals on August 19, 2020. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari to the court of appeals in the case of Michael Elders v. The State with the Supreme Court on August 10, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in

the case of The State v. Miranda Taylor with the Court of Appeals on August 7, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Glen Waldrop with the Court of Appeals on July 27, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Ronnie Bonner with the Court of Appeals on July 27, 2020. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of The State v. Ontario Makins with the Supreme Court on July 2, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Yolanda Shatten with the Court of Appeals on June 25, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Michael Strother with the Court of Appeals on June 25, 2020. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Risheen Rich with the Court of Appeals on June 25, 2020.

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

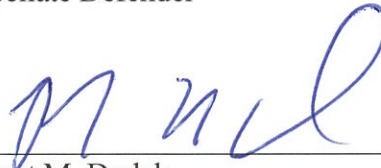
4. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the thirty-day general consent granted by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through August 31, 2020.

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,

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