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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Beaufort County

Jocelyn J. Newman, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JASON J. OWEN,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-000175

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, December 14, 2020.

2. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Arthur L. Singleton v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 7, 2020. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jamel Dajour Williams with this Court on December 1, 2020. Counsel filed the initial


brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Melvin James White with this Court on November 20, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Genuine Truth Banner v. The State with the Supreme Court on November 6, 2020. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Patrick Dean Lowrance v. The State with the Supreme Court on October 5, 2020.

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.

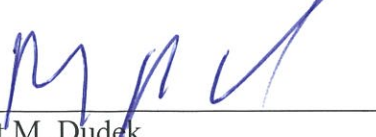
4. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the extended thirty-day general consent granted by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through December 31, 2020. That emailed general consent was dated November 25, 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,



Sarah Shipe
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 14th day of December, 2020.

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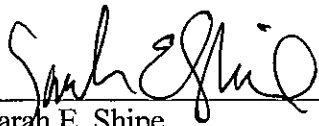
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 which to file initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case has been served upon Julia N. Butner, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 14th day of December, 2020.



Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT.