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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Richland County

Honorable L. Casey Manning, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

TERRELL DENARD KNIGHTNER,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-001018

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

Counsel for Terrell Denard Knightner respectfully requests an extension of a **final thirty (30) days, until June 23, 2021**, in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter are due to be filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel three previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Terrell Denard Knightner 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 his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Mack Washington v. The State with this Court on May 21, 2021. Counsel filed the reply brief of petitioner in the case of Mitchell Rivers v. The State with this Court on May 11, 2021. Counsel filed the reply brief of petitioner in the case of Dameion Rivers v. The State with this Court on April 21, 2021. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Alfonso Morgan v. The State with the Supreme Court on March 31, 2021. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Ontario Stefon Patrick Makins before the Supreme Court on March 24, 2021. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Mitchell Rivers v. The State with this Court on March 5, 2021. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of Victor Weldon v. The State before this Court on March 1, 2021.

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, 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 May 31, 2021. That emailed general consent was dated April 29, 2021.

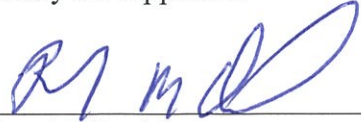
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) days, until June 23, 2021** in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

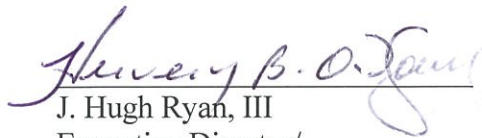


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This 24th day of May, 2021.