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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Orangeburg County

G. Thomas Cooper, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

LAMONT ANTONIO SAMUEL,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-001612

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

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Counsel for Lamont Antonio Samuel respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension, in which to serve and 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 third request for an extension. 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 today.
2. Counsel filed the return to petition for writ of certiorari in The State v. M'Andre Cochran with the Supreme Court on August 2, 2021. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in The State v. Corey Jermaine Brown with the Court of Appeals on July 21, 2021. Counsel, along

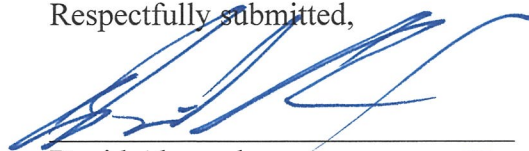
with co-counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant and designation of matter in the death penalty case of The State v. Timothy Ray Jones, Jr. with the Supreme Court on June 30, 2021. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Joseph Randolph Henry with the Court of Appeals on June 17, 2021. Counsel filed a Notice of Appeal in Jason Ervin Black v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 4, 2021.

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.

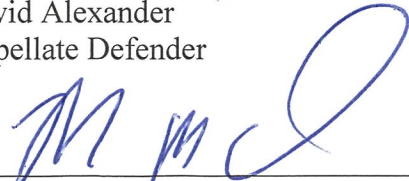
4. On July 29, 2021, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through August 31, 2021.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for serving and filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



David Alexander  
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

This 5th day of August, 2021.

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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 Motion for Extension 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 5th day of August, 2021.



David Alexander  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT