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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Spartanburg County

Honorable Grace Gilchrist Knie, Circuit Court Judge

IN THE MATTER OF THE CARE
AND TREATMENT OF JEFFREY S. OWENS,

APPELLANT,

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-000812

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 Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Joshua A. Kelly with this Court on February 3, 2022. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the case of Demarcus Robinson v. The State with the Supreme Court on January 25, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. George Robert Leach with this Court on December 22, 2021. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Edward M. Dunn, Jr., v. State with this Court on December 20, 2021. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the case of Jermaine Harris v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 10, 2021.

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

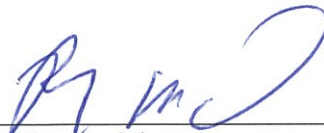
4. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the thirty-day general consent granted by email from Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka dated January 31, 2022 for all Appellate Defense extensions through February 28, 2022.

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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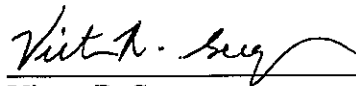
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for an Extension of Time in which to File the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case has been served upon Deborah R. J. Shupe, Esquire at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 9th day of February, 2022.



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ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT