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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Charleston County
Deadra L. Jefferson, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

MP
6-6-12

v.

JOSEPH RICHARD GRADDICK,

APPELLANT

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request 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 exigent circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today having been extended by two prior orders of this Court.
2. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Chris Teasley in this Court on May 17, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. James Craig White in this Court on May 16, 2012. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of State v. Ricky Darren Sanders in the Supreme Court on May 15, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Tyrone Beaty in this Court on May 9, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Ladorrean Collington in this Court on May 4, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of

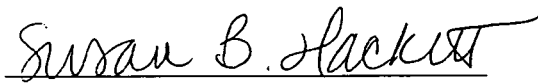
certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Tyrone Jacobs v. State in the Supreme Court on May 3, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Adrian J. Robinson v. State in the Supreme Court on April 23, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Luzinski Allen Cottrell v. State in the Supreme Court on April 19, 2012. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of James Robinson v. State in this Court on April 13, 2012. In March, 2012, Counsel filed the initial briefs of appellant and designations of matter in the cases of State v. Elbert Wallace, State v. Sasha A. Gaskins and State v. Connie Dumas, as well as the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Johnson J. Mitchell v. State.

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

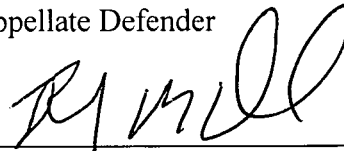
4. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case. Counsel 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,



Susan B. Hackett
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

May 18, 2012

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



Sally W. Elliott, Esquire