

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Greenville County
G. Edward Welmaker, Circuit Court Judge

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT,

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v.

SC Court of Appeals

CHRISTOPHER LEE JOHNSON,

APPELLANT.

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

Counsel for Christopher Lee Johnson respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days 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 third request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter is due to be served and filed with the Court today, May 11, 2012.
2. Counsel for Mr. Johnson 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. On May 8, 2012 counsel filed the initial reply brief in State v. Joseph Paugh in this Court. On May 4, 2012 counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in Steven J. Freeman v. State in the Supreme Court. On May 2, 2012 counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in John Randolph v. State in the Supreme Court. On April 30, 2012 counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in Kevin Allison v. State in the Supreme Court. On April 26, 2012 counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and

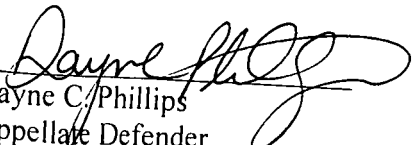
Allison v. State in the Supreme Court.

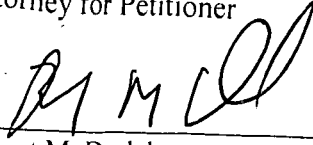
appendix in Raymond Murray v. State in the Supreme Court. On April 25, 2012 counsel filed the Reply to Respondent's Return to Appellant's Motion to Hold Appeal in Abeyance in State v. Richard Gagnon in this Court. On April 18, 2012 counsel filed the petitions for writ of certiorari and appendices in Antwan Wade v. State and Stacy Evans v. State in the Supreme Court. On April 6, 2012 counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in Ricky Dale Gilstrap v. State in the Supreme Court.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.
5. As indicated by signature below, Salley W. Elliott, of the South Carolina Attorney General's Office, 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 based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the petition be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

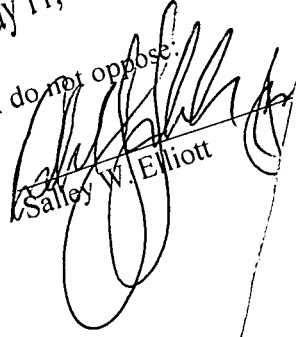
Respectfully submitted,


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Robert M. Dudek
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May 11, 2012

I do not oppose:


Salley W. Elliott

