

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Spartanburg County

William A. McKinnon, Circuit Court Judge

RECEIVED

May 27 2022

S.C. SUPREME COURT

CHRISTOPHER W. JOHNSON,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-001446

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND APPENDIX

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty-day extension from May 27, 2022 until June 27, 2022, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case are due to be served and filed today, May 27, 2022, having been extended by one prior order of this Court.
2. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Brandal Smith with the Court of Appeals on May 25, 2022. Counsel filed the petition


for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of William A. Seawright v. The State with this Court on May 9, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Michael Means with the Court of Appeals on April 20, 2022. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Raphael L. Pontoo v. The State with this Court on April 11, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Joseph Decoriyus Burton with the Court of Appeals on April 6, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of James L. Williford with the Court of Appeals on April 6, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Kareem Stevenson with the Court of Appeals on March 28, 2022.

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.

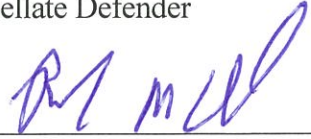
4. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the extended thirty-day general consent granted by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through May 31, 2022. That extended, emailed general consent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

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from May 27, 2022 until June 27, 2022. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 27th day of May, 2022.