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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

George M. McFadden, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2022-000710
Lower Court Docket No. 2019-CP-40-0775

Geordi Jerrell Heyward, #374238,

PETITIONER,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

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EXTENSION REQUEST
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APPENDIX

NOW COMES the Petitioner in the above captioned Post-Conviction Relief matter, acting by and through his undersigned counsel, requesting a *forth* extension of time in which to file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the above captioned PCR appeal. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix thereto, were due yesterday, September 26, 2022. Undersigned Counsel went to the office yesterday to try and complete her filings for this stage of this PCR appeal. Counsel had been sick since she returned from Tutwiler, Mississippi, where she had gone to visit with four South Carolina inmates who were housed in SCDC institutions at the time she was hired. Counsel was recovering from a sinus infection and ear infections in both ears when this trip was planned. Counsel was already sick when she returned from that trip on September 14, 2022. Apparently, flying aggravated her preexisting infection and Counsel has been sick ever since

returning. Yesterday, Counsel's internist put her on a second round of antibiotics to clear up the remaining infections in her sinuses and one ear. Counsel would be happy to forward a copy of her prescription to the Court should it be required. Counsel has been running a fever since she returned from Mississippi. Counsel went to the office briefly after picking up her new prescription yesterday, but her fever got worse and she ended up going home. For that reason, Counsel digitally filed an informal request for a fourth extension in this matter late yesterday afternoon. Counsel served that request on Megan Jameson, as the head of the PCR Section of the Office of the Attorney General, by copying her on the transmittal email sent in with the request. Thankfully, as it turned out, Attorney Jameson appears to be the attorney currently assigned to this matter. Counsel has attached for filing a new formal COS addressing this request.

Since I did not feel well enough to come to the office until late today and I did not get in touch with Attorney Jameson concerning this matter. I would ask that she advise the Court of her position on this request directly. I am nearly finished with the Certiorari Petition and Appendix for this PCR appeal, however, due to other immediately upcoming obligations on my calendar, I have requested ***twenty (20) additional days*** in which to serve and file these documents. I would very much appreciate this consideration.

Respectfully submitted

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This 27th day of September, 2022