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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Jasper County

Robert J. Bonds, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

LESLIE KEIFFER,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2022-000360

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

Counsel for Leslie Keiffer, respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until March 15, 2023**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel three previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Leslie Keiffer, 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 her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

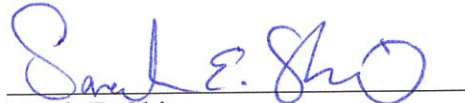
3. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of The State v. Melvin White with the Supreme Court on February 8, 2023. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Travis Hutchinson v. State with the Supreme Court on January 27, 2023. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Robert Bunyan Hollis v. State with the Supreme Court on January 20, 2023. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Jerry Davis v. State with the Supreme Court on January 12, 2023. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of State v Samuel McNeil with the Court of Appeals on January 6, 2023. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v Melvin James White with the Court of Appeals on December 29, 2022.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose 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.

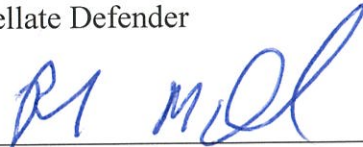
5. Counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension** until **March 15, 2023**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

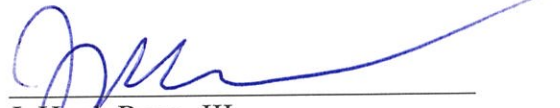
Respectfully submitted,



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This 13th day of February, 2023.

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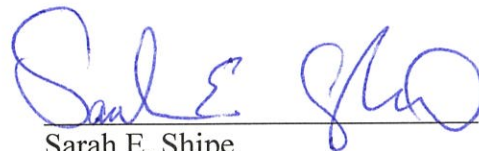
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for Extension in the above-referenced case has been served upon William M. Blich, Jr., Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 13th day of February, 2023.



Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT

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Dear Mr. Blitch,

Attached please find a copy of the fourth extension in the above referenced case that is being filed today, February 13, 2023, with the Court of Appeals.

-Scott Leverett
For Hannah Bryant
Admin. Asst. for Sarah Shipe
Appellate Defense