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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Richland County

Robert E. Hood, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

SHAKOYA ALEXIS DARBY,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2022-001127

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

Counsel for Shakoya Alexis Darby respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until July 12, 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 Shakoya Alexis Darby, 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.

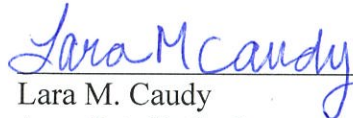
3. On June 8, 2023, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Lutavious Elmore before the Court of Appeals. On May 30, 2023, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in Matthew C. Dwyer v. The State with the Supreme Court. On May 26, 2023, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Mary Nimmons Patrick v. The State with the Supreme Court. On May 16, 2023, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Robert Lee Miller before the Supreme Court. On May 4, 2023, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Eddie Motts v. The State with the Supreme Court. On April 28, 2023, counsel, along with co-counsel, filed the reply brief of petitioner in Marion Alexander Lindsey v. The State with the Supreme Court. On April 28, 2023, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Kyndra Howell v. The State with the Supreme Court. On April 25, 2023, counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant in The State v. Bowen Gray Turner with the Court of Appeals. On April 19, 2023, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. George Holmes with the Court of Appeals. On April 14, 2023, counsel, along with co-counsel, filed the petition for rehearing in The State v. Timothy Ray Jones, Jr. with the Supreme Court.

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 her caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

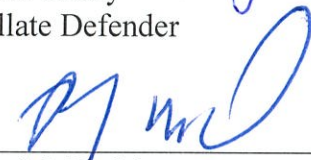
5. On May 31, 2023, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through June 30, 2023.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension** until **July 12, 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.

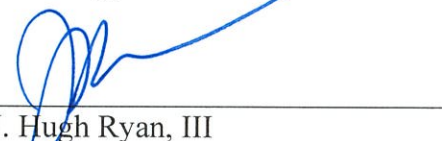
Respectfully submitted,



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This 12th day of June, 2023.

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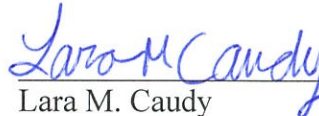
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Motion for an Extension of Time to Serve and File the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above referenced case has been served upon Melody J. Brown, Esquire, at the primary email address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 12th day of June, 2023.



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Dear Ms. Brown,

Please find attached for service a copy of the fourth extension in the above referenced case, which will be filed in the Court of Appeals today.

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