

**In The South Carolina Court of Appeals  
On Appeal From the Dorchester County Court of General Sessions  
Appellate Case No: 2022-000412**

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**Jun 26 2023**

**SC Court of Appeals**

**The State**

**Respondent,**

**v.**

**Anthony Morris,**

**Appellant.**

**AMENDED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE APPELLANT'S INITIAL BRIEF**

1. This matter was previously held in abeyance pending the trial court issuing a ruling on Appellant's Motion to Reconsider Sentencing.
2. Counsel for Appellant recently advised this Court that the lower court has now issued its order denying the Motion to Reconsider Sentencing and requested that the appeal resume.
3. Pursuant to the Court's correspondence dated February 24, 2023, the Appellant's Initial Brief was originally due on March 27, 2023.
4. Counsel for the Appellant experienced a recent increase in workload that interrupted Counsel's ability to complete the Appellant's Initial Brief by March 27, 2023.
5. As a result, counsel for the Appellant requested an extension of time to file the Appellant's Initial Brief until April 26, 2023.
6. On April 24, 2023, Counsel for the Appellant's spouse was hospitalized for four weeks thus further compounding Counsel's workload while she dealt with her spouse's medical emergency.
7. Consequently, this Court granted a continuance until May 26, 2023.
8. While preparing the Appellant's Initial Brief in this matter, Counsel for the Appellant discovered an error in the Court reporter's transcript which is vital to the Appellant's claim. The Appellant has contacted the court reporter regarding this error and was waiting for the correction to be made. Appellant's counsel asked this Court on May 26, 2023, for additional time to allow the court reporter to correct this error. To date, a ruling has not been made on that issue.
9. Although Counsel has received the Court reporter's corrected transcript, during the interim, Counsel contracted COVID 19 and was therefore not able to complete the Appellant's Initial Brief by June 26.

10. Counsel for the Appellant is still experiencing symptoms of COVID 19. However, Counsel believes that she is able to complete the brief with an additional 14 day extension.

11. This motion is not being made for purposes of delay; rather, illness has necessitated this request.

Accordingly, Appellant requests an extension of time until July 10, 2023, to file and serve the Appellant's Initial Brief.

Respectfully,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I certify that I have on this date caused to be served a copy of the on June 26, 2023, to the following **AMENDED MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE** via the Court's electronic filing system.

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