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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Horry County

William H. Seals, Circuit Court Judge

IN THE MATTER OF THE CARE AND
TREATMENT OF JOSEPH CURTIS, JR.

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2023-000285

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

Counsel for Joseph Curtis respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from August 25, 2023, until September 25, 2023, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a third 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 today.
2. Counsel filed the Brief of Respondent in the case of In The Matter of the Care and Treatment of Ronald MJ Gregg with the Supreme Court on August 14, 2023. Counsel filed the


Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Mitchell Cheatham v. The State with the Supreme Court on August 14, 2023. On July 21, 2023, Counsel attended and was a speaker at a CLE. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Antonio D. Patterson with this Court on July 19, 2023.

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.

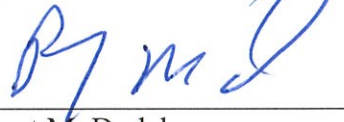
4. On August 1, 2023, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through August 31, 2023.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from August 25, 2023, until September 25, 2023. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



David Alexander
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 25th day of August, 2023.

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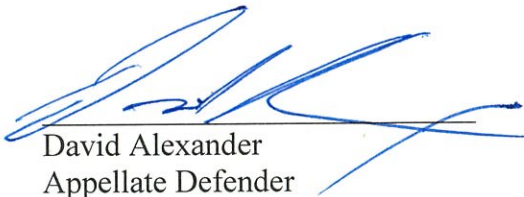
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 Deborah R.J. Shupe, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 25th day of August, 2023.



David Alexander
Appellate Defender

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Ms. Shupe,

Attached for service is the 3rd extension request to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter for Joseph Curtis's appeal, which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today.

Thank you,

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