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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM GREENVILLE COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

G.D. Morgan, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2024-000362
Case No. 2023-CP-23-04474

Sonja Willis,..... Respondent,

v.

Rent-A-Center East, Inc., Rent-A-Center Franchising International, Inc.,
Garrett Anderson Road Center, LLC and Does 1 through 20, Inclusive,
Defendants, of which Rent-A-Center East, Inc. is the AppellantAppellant.

**APPELLANT’S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR APPELLANT TO
SERVE AND FILE INITIAL BRIEF AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER TO BE
INCLUDED IN THE RECORD ON APPEAL**

Pursuant to South Carolina Appellate Court Rules 240 and 263, Appellant Rent-A-Center, East, Inc. (“Appellant”) moves for an extension of time in which to serve and file Appellant’s Initial Brief and Designation of Matter to be included in the Record on Appeal. Appellant requests and extension of 20 days to file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter which are currently due on April 5, 2024. This is the first request for an extension filed by Appellant.

The grounds for this motion are that other impending professional matters and obligations have created a need for additional time to prepare Appellant’s Initial Brief and Designation of Matter. Rule 263 of the South Carolina Rules of Appellate Procedure provides, in relevant part,

“The time prescribed by these Rules for performing any act except the time for serving the notice of appeal under Rules 203 and 243 may be extended or shortened by the appellate court, or by any judge or justice thereof.” Moreover, a twenty-day extension will not prejudice the rights of any of the parties.

Appellant has notified Appellee of its intent to file this motion, and Appellee does not object to the requested extension of time. Granting this motion would require the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter to be filed with the Court no later than April 25, 2024.

For these reasons, Appellant respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for filing and serving the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter until April 25, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Appellant’s Motion for Extension of Time for Appellant to Serve and File initial Brief and Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal on Sonja Willis by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on March 27, 2024, addressed to her attorney of record, Trevor P. Eddy, Esq., The Eddy Law Firm, LLC, 1516 Richland Street, Suite B, Columbia, SC 29201.

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