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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

**Re: *State v. Richard A. Murdaugh***  
***Appellant Case No.: 2023-000392***

Dear Ms. Abbott Kitchings:

Please accept this letter as Appellant's request for a 90-day extension in which to file Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter. The Trial transcript is 5,895 pages and additional time is needed to thoroughly review and analyze the transcript and to draft the initial brief. Appellant's counsel has conferred with Respondent's counsel and they consent to this request.

This is the first request for an extension, and if granted, the new due date for Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter would be August 12, 2023. By copy of this letter, I am hereby serving a copy of the same to counsel of record. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

  
James M. Griffin

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