

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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SC Court of Appeals

Appeal from Beaufort County

Robert J. Bonds, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

XAVIER M. POLITE,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2023-001026

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

Counsel for Xavier M. Polite respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from May 17, 2024, until June 17, 2024, 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 Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Adam D. Lawless in this Court on April 26, 2024. Counsel filed the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the case of Tyreek Hayes v. The State with the Supreme Court


on April 17, 2024. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of In the Matter of Christopher T. Wilder with this Court on April 3, 2024. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Daryl L. Sutton v. The State with the Supreme Court on April 1, 2024. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Thomas S. McFadden with this Court on March 14, 2024. Counsel filed the Brief of Petitioner in the case of The State v. Rashawn Vertez Carter with the Supreme Court on February 20, 2024.

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 April 30, 2024, 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 May 31, 2024.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from May 17, 2024, until June 17, 2024. 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 17th day of May, 2024.

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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 Melody J. Brown, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 17th day of May, 2024.



David Alexander
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT