

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Saluda County

Walton J. McLeod, IV, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

AARON SINCERE HOOD,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2023-001512

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

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Counsel for Aaron Sincere Hood respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from June 12, 2024, until July 12, 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 Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of Shana Robinson v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 10, 2024. Counsel filed

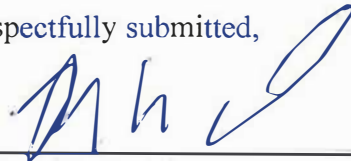
the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Cory Allen v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 6, 2024. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Cornelius J. Staggers with this Court on May 24, 2024. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Freddy Ray Harris with this Court on May 9, 2024. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Mason Yarborough with this Court on May 1, 2024. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Shana Robinson with this Court on April 25, 2024. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Raymond Martinez with this Court on April 17, 2024. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Douglas Young v. The State with the Supreme Court on April 3, 2024. **Counsel also has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender.**

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 May 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 June 30, 2024.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from June 12, 2024, until July 12, 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,



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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender



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This 12th day of June, 2024.

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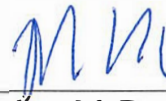
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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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 12th day of June, 2024.



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Good Morning,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the Third Motion for Extension in which to serve and file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter. This extension will be filed today, June 12, 2024, with the Court of Appeals via email filing.

Thank you,  
Shelby

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