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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Greenville County

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

RONNIE C. SWOFFORD,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-001436

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE BRIEF OF PETITIONER

Counsel for Ronnie Cleveland Swofford respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from June 21, 2024 until July 22, 2024, in which to serve and file the Brief of Petitioner 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 Brief of Petitioner in this case is due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to this Court in the case of

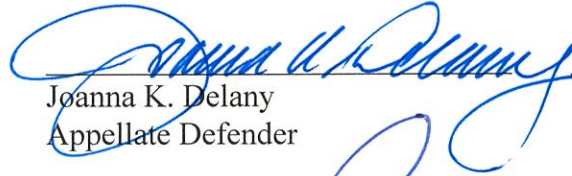
Brittney C. Foster v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 3, 2024. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Montre D. Brown v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 31, 2024. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Marcus D. Batson with this Court on May 22, 2024. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Antonio Long with this Court on May 17, 2024. Counsel filed the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the case of Storm R. B. McCarthy v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 14, 2024. Counsel filed the Memorandum Addressing S.C. Code § 23-3-436 in the case of In the Interest of Khalid J., A Juvenile Under the Age of Seventeen with this Court on May 9, 2024. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of Michael Christian Barclay v. The State before this Court on May 8, 2024. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Genari McNeil with this Court on May 2, 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.

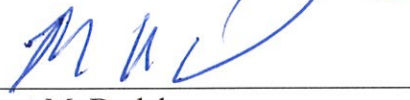
4. On May 30, 2024, opposing counsel, the Office of the Attorney General, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through June 30, 2024.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from June 21, 2024 until July 22, 2024. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Brief of Petitioner be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Joanna K. Delany
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Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 21st day of June, 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 21st day of June, 2024.


Joanna K. Delany
Appellate Defender

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Good Morning,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the Third Motion for Extension to File the Brief of Petitioner which will be filed today, June 21, 2024, with the Court of Appeals via email filing.

Respectfully,

Kaylynn

Kaylynn Warren

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