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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk of Court, Supreme Court of South Carolina
P.O. Box 11330
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Re: **Desmond S. Collins v. State**
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPT
Case No. **2020-CP-26-04318**

Dear Ms. Howard:

To comply with the appropriate procedure, I filed the Notice of Appeal to protect Petitioner Desmond Collins's rights under the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules and applicable case law. I mailed Mr. Collins the affidavit of indigency for him to complete for the Office of Appellate Defense's review and screening. I have been in contact with the Office of Appellate Defense regarding this issue.

I am respectfully requesting a **final thirty (30) day extension** to request the transcript in the above reference appeal since Mr. Collins has not retained me to represent him on this appeal or returned the affidavit of indigency. It appears his intent is to retained private counsel.

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However, if the Court is not inclined to grant this request, the undersigned Counsel respectfully moves for the Court to relieve Counsel from representing Mr. Collins on this appeal and respectfully moves for the Office of Appellate Defense to represent Mr. Collins (due to Counsel's belief that he is personally indigent).

I have copied Chief Appellate Defender Robert Dudek and Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mark Farthing on this correspondence.

Yours Sincerely,

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