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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Florence County

Honorable Bentley Price, Circuit Court Judge

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IN THE MATTER OF THE CARE AND  
TREATMENT OF ROBERT BRIAN SHARP,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2024-000553

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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 Robert Brian Sharp respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until February 12, 2025** in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth 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 with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Robert Brian Sharp respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the

number of extensions previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

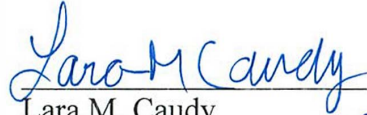
3. On December 20, 2024, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Randall Loyis Simpson v. The State with the Supreme Court. On December 16, 2024, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Algernard Young with the Court of Appeals. On December 10, 2024, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Timothy Herndon with the Court of Appeals. On November 19, 2024, counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Andy Eugene Hyman with the Supreme Court. On November 15, 2024, counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Shawn Daily with the Supreme Court.

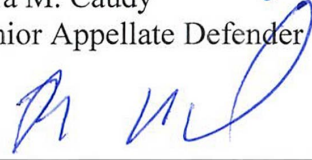
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.


5. On December 31, 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 January 31, 2025.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until February 12, 2025** in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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This 13th day of January, 2025.

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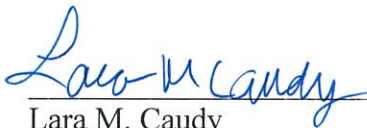
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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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 Deborah R.J. Shupe, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 13th day of January, 2025.

  
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Lara M. Caudy  
Senior Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT

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Good Morning Ms. Shupe,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the fourth motion for an extension of time to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter, which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today, January 13, 2025, via email filing.

Thank you,

**Sara McInnis**

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