

extension of time to file a Johnson petition in this case. I have several issues that I want to raise and litigate in this case. As of this very moment, the Lee C.I.'s West Yard units are on total complete lockdown with only specific particular movement, such as; medical, dental, DHO, and occasional court appearances. There is only one law clerk and Lee C.I. administrative officials won't hire any more to work or assist in the law library. I am confined behind a locked cell door 24/7 and is only permitted to take a 20-minute shower approx. once every 10 to 14 days at a time. I have not committed any infractions to cause the West Yard units to be on 24/7 lockdown status, nor have I done anything wrong to be denied access to the law library. Furthermore, this motion is submitted in good faith and is not intended to harass or delay this Court's proceeding. I further assert that this Court should grant me a 45 to 90 day under the good cause standard pursuant to Rule 16(b)(4) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. Moreover, this Court should consider my extenuating circumstances, such as;

1) I am proceeding pro se; 2) is incarcerated within a restrictive housing unit (lock-up); 3) is mentally ill; and 4) is untrained in the law. In situations where a [petitioner] is proceeding pro se, is incarcerated, and is untrained in the law, the... Court should take steps to ensure that the [petitioner] is given no less procedure than if he were proceeding with counsel. Brandon v. District of Columbia Board of Parole, 734 F.2d 1019 (3d Cir. 1980). Moreover, ... Courts "must yield consideration to the fact that... pro se litigant[s] [are] untrained in the law." (citing Haynes v. Kerner, 404 U.S. 519, 520, 92 S.Ct. 594, 595, 30 L.Ed. 2d 652 (1972)).

Conclusion

Wherefore, based on the above-mentioned facts,

Petitioner respectfully requests for this Honorable Court to grant him an Order for a 45 to 90 day extension to

file a Johnson petition in the above-entitled case.

Bishopville, South Carolina

Dated: December 23, 2024

Respectfully,

SI [Signature]

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

For The Eleventh Judicial Circuit

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Ronald Douglas Michaux, Jr.,) Appellate Case No. 2024-000960
Petitioner,)
v.)
State of South Carolina,)
Respondent)

Proof of Service

I certify that I have served this Petitioner's Motion for Extension of Time on the Honorable Patricia A. Howard, Clerk of Court, by depositing a copy of it in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on December 23, 2024, addressed to her office at: Post Office Box 11330, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

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