

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Aiken County

Honorable Maite Murphy, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

KEMONTEE DEVONTA BLOCKER,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2024-000825

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

Counsel for Kemontee Devonta Blocker respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from February 3, 2025 until March 5, 2025 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. On January 30, 2025, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Daniel Jones with the Court of Appeals. On January 23, 2025, counsel,


along with co-counsel, filed the petition for rehearing in The State v. Bowen Turner with the Court of Appeals. On January 17, 2025, counsel, along with co-counsel, filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari in The State v. Kierin Dennis with the Supreme Court. 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

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.

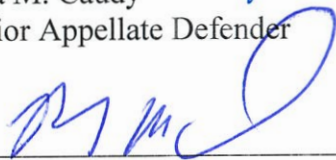
4. On January 31, 2025, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through February 28, 2025.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from February 3, 2025 until March 5, 2025. 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,



Lara M. Caudy
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Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 3rd day of February, 2025.

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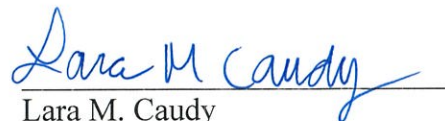
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 3rd day of February, 2025.



Lara M. Caudy
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Good Morning Ms. Brown,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the third motion for extension, which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today, February 3, 2025, via email filing.

Thank you,

Sara McInnis

Administrative Assistant

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