

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Charleston County

Honorable Maite Murphy, Circuit Court Judge

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ISHMEL J. LEMON,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2024-001348

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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION TO SERVE AND FILE  
THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
AND APPENDIX

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Counsel for Ishmel Jayvan Lemon respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from April 9, 2025 until May 12, 2025** in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix 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 Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Ishmel Jayvan Lemon 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.

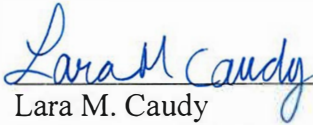
3. On April 4, 2025, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Kemontee Blocker with the Court of Appeals. On March 27, 2025, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Malcolm Orr v. The State with the Supreme Court. On March 24, 2025, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Isaiah Gadson v. State with the Supreme Court. On March 17, 2025, counsel, along with co-counsel, filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Gregory Benjamin with the Court of Appeals. On March 11, 2025, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Barry Jones before the Court of Appeals.

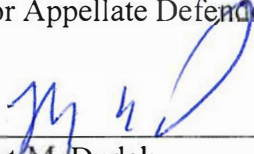
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. On March 28, 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 April 30, 2025.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from April 9, 2025 until May 12, 2025** in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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This 9th day of April, 2025.