

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Thomas Lee Stafford, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2024-000979

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## ORDER

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For good cause shown, the request for an extension to serve and file the return to petition for writ of certiorari is granted, and the time is extended until June 27, 2025. Pursuant to the order of the Supreme Court of South Carolina dated March 18, 2009 ([www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2009-03-18-01](http://www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2009-03-18-01)), no further extensions will be granted absent extraordinary circumstances.

FOR THE COURT

BY   
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina  
May 29, 2025

cc: E. Charles Grose, Jr.  
Donald J. Zelenka