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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Richland County
Honorable Jocelyn J. Newman, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

ONTARIO LAMAR STALEY,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2024-002003

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

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.


2. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of Joseph Todd Rowland v. The State with the Court of Appeals on June 25, 2025. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Donald Martin, III v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 19, 2025. Counsel filed the reply to return to petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of Willie M. Williams v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 17, 2025.

Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jeffrey Michael George with the Court of Appeals on May 30, 2025. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Stephen J. Green with the Court of Appeals on May 22, 2025. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Willie M. Williams v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 14, 2025. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Carlos Ruiz v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 1, 2025. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Andre Covington v. The State with the Supreme Court on April 24, 2025. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Timothy Newman v. The State with the Supreme Court on April 11, 2025. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Melanie McClain with the Court of Appeals on April 8, 2025.


3. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the thirty day general consent granted by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through June 30, 2025. That emailed general consent was dated May 30, 2025.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. 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,



Kathrine H. Hudgins
Senior Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 30th day of June, 2025.

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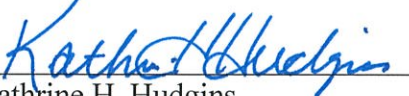
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the motion for extension of time to file initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case has been served upon Mark R. Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 30th day of June, 2025.


Kathrine H. Hudgins
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Mr. Farthing,

Please find attached for service the 3rd Extension Request for the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter for Ontario Lamar Staley appeal which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

Chris Stock
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