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**SC Court of Appeals**

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

Roger M. Young, Sr., Circuit Court

Judge

Case No. 2023GS1003220-3222

State of South Carolina, Respondent,

v.

Michael Whitlock, Appellant.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF AND DESIGNATION OF  
MATERIALS FOR RECORD ON APPEAL

NOW COMES Appellant, by and through his undersigned counsel, moving for a 30-day extension of time to file the Appellant's initial brief in the above-captioned case. In support of this motion, the Appellant shows as follows:

1. The Appellant's initial brief and designation of material on appeal is currently due on October 24, 2025. The court has previously granted a 30-day extension.
2. The appeal is from a conviction for murder, and there was a multi-day trial, resulting in a large volume of documents and a transcript totaling approximately 1000 pages. Counsel has identified numerous potential issues in the transcript and is in the process of fully researching those issues so that they may be briefed in full.
3. Counsel has also become aware that it is necessary to speak to the Appellant, who is currently incarcerated in Kershaw County, to meet with the Appellate to review possible appellate arguments with him and to go over various trial documents which were recently obtained.
4. In addition to this case, counsel have had numerous other deadlines this month and next, with several jury trials on the schedule that they must prepare for as well as another appeal before this court which also involves an attempted murder and mass shooting, and that case

also has a transcript that is roughly 1,000 pages long as well, as well as voluminous trial documents and exhibits.

5. For these reasons, the undersigned respectfully requests an extension of time in order to meet with the Appellant and properly evaluate the large volume of material for appellate arguments that may be briefed.

WHEREFORE, the Appellant respectfully requests that this Court enter an order extending the deadline for filing the Appellant's initial brief and designation of material for record by 30 days, up to and including the 23<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025.

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