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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

Appeal from Greenville County
The Honorable Patrick Cleburne Fant, III, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

Respondent,

v.

RAHIEM JARRARD GRIFFIN,

Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2024-000676

**MOTION FOR THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension in which to file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. Opposing counsel has graciously consented to all extensions through November 30, 2025. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following:

Respondent's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter are due Monday, November 17, 2025, as per this Court's Order granting Respondent's second extension request. The undersigned attorney for the Respondent has had a number of state and federal matters to attend to since October 2025. Specifically,

1. Counsel prepared and filed Reply to Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary

Judgment on October 14, 2025, in the matter of Damyon Marquise Cotton v. Warden of Lee

Correctional Institution, C/A No. 5:25-cv-2690-SAL-KDW, a matter pending in the District Court;

2. Counsel prepared and filed Reply to Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment on October 14, 2025, in the matter of Chris Anthony Liverman v. South Carolina Department of Correction, Warden of Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility, C/A No. 9:23-cv-03205-JD-MHC, a matter pending in the District Court;

3. Counsel prepared and filed the Final Brief of Respondent on October 16, 2025, in the matter of The State v. William Arthur Kelly, Appellate Case No. 2024-001153, a matter pending in this Court;

4. Counsel prepared and filed the Response in Opposition to Rule 59(e) Motion on October 20, 2025, in the matter of Arthur Quintin Jones, Jr. vs. Warden, Evans Correctional Institution, C/a No.: 6:24-cv-4191-JFA, a matter pending in the District Court;

5. Counsel prepared and filed the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari on November 3, 2025, in the matter of The State v. Ray Kelly, Appellate Case No. 2025-001854, a matter pending in the South Carolina Supreme Court;

6. Counsel prepared and filed the Final Brief of Respondent on November 5, 2025, in the matter of The State v. Kemontee Devonta Blocker, Appellate Case No. 2024-000825, a matter pending in this Court;

7. Counsel is working on other state and federal matters, and this request is not made for the purpose of delay but due to the foregoing.

WHEREFORE, counsel respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension of time to serve and file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter.

Respectfully submitted,
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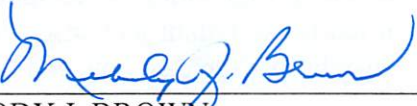
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I support the finding of good cause.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, W. Joseph Maye, certify that pursuant to Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR and the Supreme Court order of April 24, 2024, the third extension to file the Initial Brief of Respondent, Designation of Matter and Proof of Service have been forwarded to Appellant's counsel, Jordan Millen Wayburn via email today, November 13, 2025 to jwayburn@sccid.sc.gov and to Mr. Wayburn's assistant, Chris Stock, to cstock@sccid.sc.gov.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This is the 13th day of November 2025.

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Dear Mr. Wayburn,

Please find attached the Respondent's third Motion for Extension to file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter. This Motion will be filed today, November 13, 2025, with the South Carolina Court of Appeals, together with a copy of this email. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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