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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Pickens County

Honorable Patrick Cleburne Fant, III, Circuit Court Judge

JOSEPH CAMPBELL WILLIAMS,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-000730

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

Counsel for Joseph Campbell Williams respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from December 29, 2025 until January 28, 2026** 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 Joseph Campbell Williams 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 December 16, 2025, counsel had an oral argument in In the Matter of Andy Hyman before the Supreme Court. On December 9, 2025, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Che L. Ransom, Jr. before the Court of Appeals. On December 1, 2025, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Mark T. Frick with the Court of Appeals. On November 12, 2025, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Juan Ramirez Sandoval before the Court of Appeals. On November 6, 2025, counsel filed the initial brief of respondent and designation of matter in The State v. Joshua Brookins with the Court of Appeals. On October 16, 2025, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Jejauncey Harrington before the Court of Appeals. From October 6-8, 2025, counsel attended the Annual Public Defender Conference in Myrtle Beach.

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

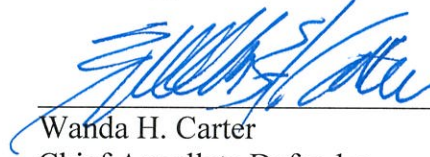
5. On November 26, 2025, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through January 5, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from December 29, 2025 until January 28, 2026** 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 29th day of December, 2025.