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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Greenville County

Honorable Patrick Cleburne Fant, III, Circuit Court Judge

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JAQUESE K. HYATT,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-000388

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

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Counsel for Jaquese Hyatt respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days from January 15, 2026, until February 16, 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 second 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 Jaquese Hyatt 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 his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

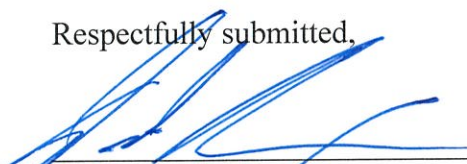
3. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and accompanying Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Lisa Marie Hibberts with the Court of Appeals on January 16, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying Appendix in the case of Michael J. Walton v. The State with the Supreme Court on January 8, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying Appendix in the case of Valentino M. Hayward v. The State with the Supreme Court on January 5, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying Appendix in the case of Jamie S. Gadson v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 17, 2025. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and Appendix in the case of The State v. Demetrius Alexander Brown with the Supreme Court on December 11, 2025. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Akevious Dayquan Lindsey with the Court of Appeals on December 3, 2025. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Adam D. Lawless with the Court of Appeals on November 20, 2025. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Ryan O'Neil Woodruff with the Court of Appeals on November 19, 2025. Counsel had an oral argument in The State v. William McKinney before the Court of Appeals on November 12, 2025.

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

5. On January 2, 2026, 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 February 1, 2026.

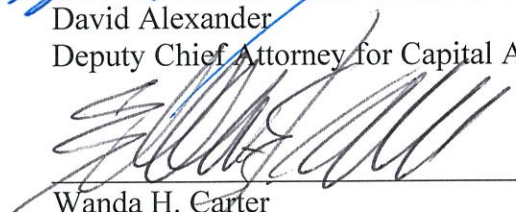
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension from January 15, 2026 until February 16, 2026, in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for serving and 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 16th day of January, 2026.