

IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM GREENWOOD COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable Donald B. Hocker, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2024-001749

William Gray Ackerman Jr.,

Appellant,

vs.

State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE THE REPLY BRIEF

Undersigned counsel respectfully requests a one-month extension to file the reply brief in this case. It is currently due January 26, 2026. This case is factually complex, and counsel would like additional time to confer with her client about the contents of the reply brief. Additionally, counsel has significant caseload issues including an oral argument in the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals on February 11, 2026, *US v. Keith Jones*, 24-1409, and a brief due in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals on February 4, 2026, *US v. Charlie Simpson*, 25-30580. Counsel respectfully requests a due date of **February 25, 2026**.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Counsel certifies that she has provided a copy of this motion to Joseph Maye of the South Carolina Attorney General's Office, via email on this date, May 19, 2025, at jmaye@scag.gov.

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