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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Laurens County

Honorable R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

CAMRIN JAY SMITH,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001288

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for Camrin Smith respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from February 5, 2026 until March 9, 2026 in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter 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 Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Today, February 5, 2026, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Telvin Jackson with the Court of Appeals. On January 16,

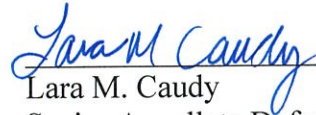
2026, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Joseph Campbell Williams v. The State with the Supreme Court. On January 7, 2026, counsel filed the petition for rehearing in The State v. Trevor Irvin with the Court of Appeals. On January 2, 2026, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Robert Goodwin v. The State with the Supreme Court. 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.

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

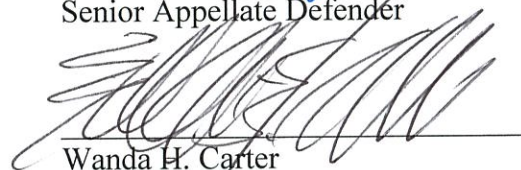
4. On February 3, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through March 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from February 5, 2026 until March 9, 2026. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Lara M. Caudy
Senior Appellate Defender



Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender

This 5th day of February, 2026.

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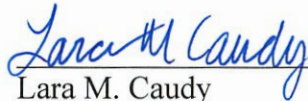
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for Extension in the above-referenced case has been served upon Melody J. Brown, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 5th day of February, 2026.



Lara M. Caudy
Senior Appellate Defender

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Good Afternoon Ms. Brown,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the third motion for an extension of time to serve and file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter. This motion will be filed with the Court of Appeals today, February 5, 2026, via email filing.

Thank you!

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