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**SC Court of Appeals**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Greenville County  
James R. Barber, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

DAVID LAMAR THOMPSON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001260

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

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Counsel for David Thompson respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from February 17, 2026 until March 19, 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. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. David White with the Court of Appeals on February 11, 2026. Counsel with co-counsel W. Chandler

Norville filed a Motion to Certify Case for Review by the South Carolina Supreme Court in the case of The State v. Ri'Shon Keltarian Gilliam on January 15, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari, the Brief of Petitioner Pursuant to *White v. State*, and the Appendix in the case of Ezra Rysunn Williams v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 31, 2025. Counsel filed the Initial Reply Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Sammy Rowdy Parker with the Court of Appeals on December 18, 2025. Counsel filed the Brief of Petitioner in the case of Daniel Lee Fludd v. The State with the Court of Appeals on December 16, 2025. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Jerald Jermaine Howard v. The State with the Supreme Court on December 12, 2025.

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 February 28, 2026.

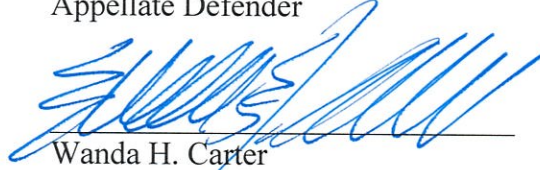
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from February 17, 2026 until March 19, 2026. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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Molly M Keegan  
Appellate Defender



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Wanda H. Carter  
Chief Appellate Defender

This 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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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 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.



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Ms. Brown,

Please find attached for service the 3<sup>rd</sup> Extension Request for the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter for David L. Thompson's appeal which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

**Chris Stock**  
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