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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM DARLINGTON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

George M. McFaddin Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2025-002355

The State,

Respondent,

v.

Katherine Ann Baucom-Cowick,

Appellant.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This matter is before the Court on the undersigned Counsel's Motion for Extension of Time to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-captioned case.

The Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter are due on **February 20, 2026**.

I, Dayne C. Phillips, Esq., respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension of time to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter. This is Counsel's **third** request for an extension of time and is not intended for purposes of delay as it is reasonable and necessary due to Counsel's work schedule.

On February 18, 2026, Counsel had a plea hearing in Lexington County General Sessions Court and a plea hearing in Aiken County General Sessions Court. On February 17, 2026, Counsel had a plea hearing in Richland County General Sessions Court, status conference in Lancaster

General Sessions Court, and a motion hearing in Batesburg-Leesville Municipal Court. On February 13, 2026, Counsel was Co-Chair and Moderator of a SCACDL CLE seminar. On February 11, 2026, Counsel had a motion hearing in Berkeley County General Sessions Court. On February 2, 4 – 6, 2026, Counsel had a trial for Assault and Battery of a High and Aggravated Nature in Lexington County General Sessions Court. On January 29-30, Counsel attended an annual meeting for his law firm out-of-state. On January 22, 2026, Counsel had two status conferences in Kershaw County General Sessions Court and a pre-trial hearing in Elgin Municipal Court. On January 21, 2026, Counsel had a post-conviction relief hearing in Charleston County Court of Common Pleas before Judge Deadra Jefferson. On January 20, 2026, Counsel had a sentencing hearing in the U.S. District Court and a plea hearing in Spartanburg County General Sessions Court. On January 5–14, Counsel had a trial for Murder in the Lexington County General Sessions Court.

I notified Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mark Farthing of this request via email, and he consented to this request.

THEREFORE, Appellant respectfully requests **a thirty (30) day extension** for the service and filing of the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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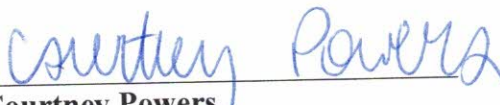
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the within and foregoing Motion for Extension of Time by emailing and depositing a true and correct copy of the same via first-class mail, postage prepaid, upon all parties as follows:

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**Re: State v. Katherine Ann Baucom-Cowick
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I have enclosed the original Motion for Extension of Time, along with a Certificate of Service that I also emailed for filing today in the above-referenced case. Thank you for your assistance with filing this document.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

cc: **Katherine Baucom-Cowick**
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