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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Aiken County

Honorable Debra R. McCaslin, Circuit Court Judge

JASPER JEFFERSON,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001626

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

Counsel for Jasper Jefferson respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from February 20, 2026 until March 23, 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 third 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 Jasper Jefferson 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 her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

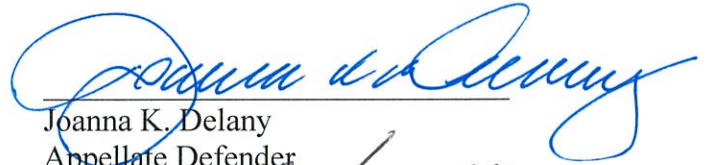
3. Counsel filed the Return to the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Eric A. Graham with the Court of Appeals on February 9, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Mercury L. Williamson with the Court of Appeals on February 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of The State v. Marcus D. Batson with the Supreme Court on February 3, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Respondent in the case of The State v. Quinterris J. Carmichael with the Supreme Court on January 28, 2026. Counsel filed the Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of George R. Dreher v. State with the Supreme Court on January 21, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Terrence O. Frazier with the Court of Appeals on January 7, 2026. Counsel filed the *Anders* Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Jacob R. Mims with the Court of Appeals on January 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Manly M. Thompson with the Court of Appeals on December 18, 2025. Counsel filed the Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Amy Wright v. State with the Supreme Court on December 15, 2025.

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

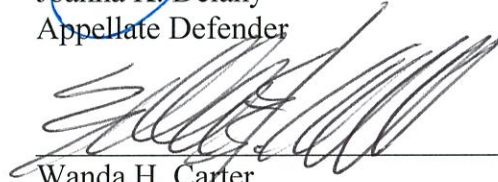
5. On February 3, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through March 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from February 19, 2026 until March 23, 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 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 20th day of February, 2026.