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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT
APPEAL FROM ALLENDALE COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
The Honorable Frank Addy, PCR Action Judge
2025-001289

JAMEL WILLIAMS,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent.

**MOTION TO RELAX RULE 243(G), SCACR AND TO FILE PETITIONER'S
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND APPENDIX OUT OF TIME**

COMES NOW, Petitioner, above named, by and through undersigned counsel, making its
Petition to Relax Rule 243(g) and Request for Extension, and would show unto this court.

I.

The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix were due February 19, 2026. Petitioner submit that they prepared the extension request timely and submitted it to the court. For whatever reason, Counsel's inbox did not send the extension prepared until February 20, 2026. Petitioner therefore requests that the Rules be relaxed in order to file a thirty-day extension in which to prepare and submit its petition for writ of certiorari and appendix. See Rule 263(b), SCACR ("the time prescribed by these Rules for performing any act except the time for serving the notice of appeal under Rule 203 and 243 may be extended or shortened by the appellate court, or by any judge or justice thereof."). This is undersigned counsel's third extension request in this case. Third extensions are consented to via reciprocal agreement between the Attorney General's Office and the Office of Appellate Defense.

The undersigned counsel apologizes for any inconvenience this request has caused to the Court and to Petitioner and does not believe that this request will result in any prejudice to Respondent should it be granted.

II.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court relax the requirements of Rule 243(g), SCACR; permit Petitioner to file a request for a thirty-day extension out of time, and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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