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The Honorable Jenny Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: The State v. Kasiem R. Stephens
Appellate Case No. 2025-002060

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case are due to be served and filed today. Because of my present workload, I respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension of this deadline. No prior extensions have been requested in this case.

On February 26, 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 April 1, 2026.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender

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Good morning,

Attached is a copy of a first extension request in the above referenced case which will be filed today, March 13, 2026, with the Court of Appeals.

All the best,

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