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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Supreme Court

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APPEAL FROM YORK COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

Brian M. Gibbons, Circuit Court Judge  
Civil Action No. 20-CP-46-01803  
Supreme Court Case No. 2025-001525

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Bobby Blakney....., Respondent,

v.

City of Rock Hill....., Petitioner.

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**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
& SERVE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT**

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NOW COMES Respondent, Bobby Blakney, by and through his undersigned counsel, pursuant to Rule 263(b), SCACR, and moves for an extension of thirty (30) days' time to file and serve his initial brief and corresponding designation of matter to be included in the record on appeal.

Presently, in accordance with Rule 208(a)(2), the deadline for Respondent's initial brief and designation of matter is March 19, 2026. On account of work-related and other time commitments, Respondent respectfully requests that this deadline be extended by 30 days. Respondent respectfully submits that this relief would be consistent with the interests of justice and will not work any undue prejudice upon Petitioner.

WHEREFORE, Respondent moves this Honorable Court to grant him an extension of thirty (30) days' time to file and serve his initial brief and corresponding designation of matter to be included in the record. With the extension requested herein, given that the date in thirty (30) days' time would be Saturday, April 18, 2026, the new deadline for filing and serving Respondent's initial brief and designation of matter would be Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, according to the undersigned's calculation. This would be in accord with Rule 263(a), which states that when the last day of a period prescribed or allowed by the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state or federal holiday, the last day of said period then runs until the end of the next day which is neither a Saturday, Sunday, nor such holiday. Further, Respondent respectfully requests that the Court hold the present initial briefing/designation-of-matter deadline in abeyance until it acts upon this Motion.

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Respectfully submitted,

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