

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Georgetown County
B. Alex Hyman, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOHN ALLEN BRYANT, JR.,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001464

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for John Bryant respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from March 19, 2026 until April 20, 2026, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter 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 Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the *Anders* Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Jonathan Noe with the Court of Appeals on March 18, 2026. Counsel filed the

Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. David Lamar Thompson with the Court of Appeals on March 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Courtney Shante Thompson v. The State with the Supreme Court on March 5, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. Jamira U. Davis before the Court of Appeals on March 3, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Rodney R. Green v. The State with the Supreme Court on February 27, 2026. Counsel filed the *Anders* Brief of Appellant and the Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. James Edward Boley, II with the Supreme Court on February 25, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. David Demias White with the Court of Appeals on February 11, 2026. Counsel with co-counsel W. Chandler Norville filed a Motion to Certify Case for Review by the South Carolina Supreme Court in the case of The State v. Ri'Shon Keltarian Gilliam on January 15, 2026. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

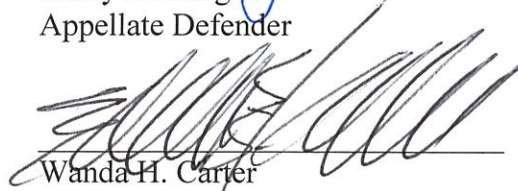
3. On February 26, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through March 31, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from March 19, 2026 until April 20, 2026. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Molly M Keegan
Appellate Defender



Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender

This 19th day of March, 2026.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for Extension in the above-referenced case has been served upon Mark Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 19th day of March, 2026.



Molly M Keegan
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT

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Mr. Farthing,

Please find attached for service the 3rd Extension Request for the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter for John A. Bryant, Jr.'s appeal which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

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