

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Horry County

Honorable Robert J. Bonds, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

KIYWAN MASHAUD LEWIS,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001885

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

Counsel for Kiywan Lewis respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension** from April 20, 2026 until May 20, 2026 in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth 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 with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Kiywan Lewis 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. Today, April 20, 2026, counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Tyleek Johnson with the Court of Appeals. On April 9, 2026, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Robert Belcher before the Court of Appeals. On April 7, 2026, counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Antonio Barnes before the Court of Appeals. On March 27, 2026, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Charles Morehouse v. The State with the Supreme Court. On March 20, 2026, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Chriwanta Bryant with the Court of Appeals. On March 16, 2026, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Gregory Sanders v. The State with the Supreme Court. On March 9, 2026, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Camrin Jay Smith with the Court of Appeals. On March 6, 2026, counsel filed the brief of petitioner in Gary Moore v. The State with the Court of Appeals.

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

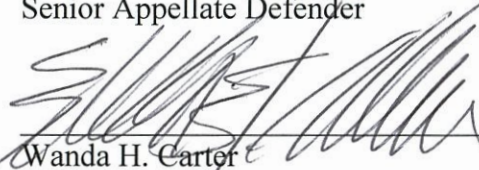
5. On March 30, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through May 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension** from April 20, 2026 until May 20, 2026 in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

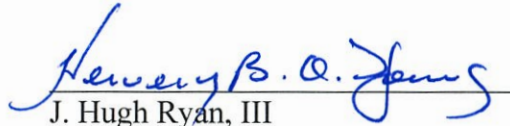
Respectfully submitted,



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This 20th day of April, 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 Matthew C. Buchanan, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 20th day of April, 2026.



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