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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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Re: The State v. Mark Hamilton
Appellate Case No. 2025-001185

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

As counsel for Mark Hamilton, Appellant, I am requesting an extension of the time to file a reply to the State's Response Brief, which was served on me on April 22, 2026. By my calculation, my reply is due on May 4, 2026. As the Circuit Public Defender for the Ninth Circuit, I am responsible for supervising 75 employees, including 50 trial attorneys, and I also maintain my own caseload, which includes trial court matters, monitoring of all NGRI clients in the circuit, and some appellate matters. While we have a rare week without trial or plea court in either county from April 27 – May 1, I have planned leave with my family from April 30 through May 5. Upon my return from leave, I have several matters docketed in Circuit Court.

For these reasons, I am requesting an extension of the time to file my reply until May 18, 2026. I have consulted with counsel for the State, Brandon Larrabee, who has no objection to this request.

Sincerely,

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Cc: AAG Brandon Larrabee, Esq.