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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Marlboro County

Honorable S. B. Doby, Circuit Court Judge

ZAQUAI R. SHULER,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2026-000006

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION TO SERVE AND FILE
THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND APPENDIX

Counsel for Zaquai Shuler respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension from May 18, 2026 until June 17, 2026** in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix 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 Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Zaquai Shuler 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. Counsel filed the Return to the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Micah Brown with the Court of Appeals today, May 18, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Altariq J. Cole with the Court of Appeals on May 13, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. Eryk J. Smith before the Court of Appeals on May 13, 2026. Counsel filed the *Johnson* Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying Appendix in the case of Tarell Brown v. State with the Supreme Court on May 7, 2026. Counsel filed the *Johnson* Petition for Writ of Certiorari and accompanying Appendix in the case of Desiree Brown v. State with the Supreme Court on May 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. George E. Morgan with the Court of Appeals on May 6, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. Darius G. Dickey before the Court of Appeals on May 5, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. Mazar T. Sturdivant before the Court of Appeals on May 5, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Eric D. Greene with the Court of Appeals on April 24, 2026.

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

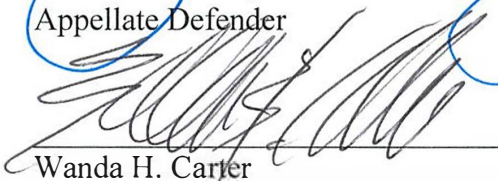
5. On April 29, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through June 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from May 18, 2026 until June 17, 2026** in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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This 18th day of May, 2026.