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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Certiorari to Georgetown County

Honorable Roger M. Young, Circuit Court Judge

JODY LYNN WARD,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001703

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

Counsel for Jody Lynn Ward respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from June 8, 2026 until July 8, 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 Jody Lynn Ward 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 Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Kristi R. Powell v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 5, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of Samir Kevin Shank v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 21, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and the Appendix in the case of The State v. Ronald Lee Lyons with Supreme Court on May 13, 2026. Counsel filed the Return to Petition for Rehearing in the case of Maurice Anthony Odom v. The State with this Court on May 12, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Adrian V. Simmons v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Ryan Oneal Gist with this Court on May 6, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. Samir Kevin Shank before the Supreme Court on April 21, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and the Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Christopher Robert White with this Court on April 20, 2026.

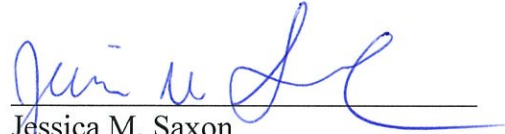
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. On May 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 July 1, 2026.

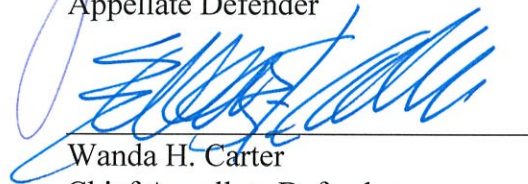
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from June 8, 2026 until July 8, 2026**, in which to serve and file the Petition for

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,



Jessica M. Saxon
Appellate Defender



Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender

This 8th day of June, 2026.

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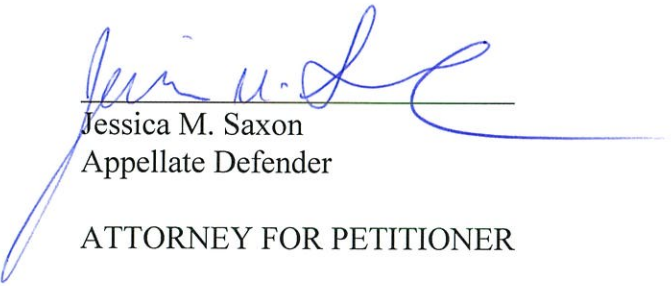
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 Melody J. Brown, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 8th day of June, 2026.



Jessica M. Saxon
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

Warren, Kaylynn

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Good Morning,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the Third Motion for Extension to file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix which will be filed today, June 8, 2026, with the Court of Appeals via email filing.

Respectfully,

Kaylynn

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