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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

Appeal from Horry County
The Honorable B. Alex Hyman, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

Respondent,

v.

CHARLES WILLIAM MURPHY, JR.,

Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2025-000135

**MOTION FOR FOURTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension in which to file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. Opposing counsel has graciously consented to all extensions through July 1, 2026. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following:

Respondent's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter are due today, June 26, 2026, as per this Court's Order granting Respondent's third extension request. The undersigned attorney for the Respondent has had a number of state and federal matters to attend to since May 2026. Specifically,

1. Counsel prepared and filed the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari Pursuant to Austin v. State on June 2, 2026, in the matter of The State v. Ronald Tyrone Downs, Jr., a Post-Conviction Relief Appeal pending in the South Carolina Supreme Court;
2. Counsel Prepared and filed the Brief of Respondent on June 10, 2026, in the matter of The State v. Demetrius Alexander Brown , Appellate Case No. 2025-002378, a matter pending in the South Carolina Supreme Court;
3. Counsel prepared and filed the Petition for Rehearing in the matter of The State v. Calvin Ford on June 18, 2026, Appellate Case No. 2024-001870, a matter pending in the South Carolina Court of Appeals;
4. Counsel prepared for and participated in Status Conference scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2026, then rescheduled to June 23, 2026, in the capital matter of Timothy Ray Jones, #5289 vs. State of South Carolina, Case No. 2024-CP-32-01312;
5. Counsel prepared and filed the Motion for Summary Judgment and the Return and Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment in the matter of Ansel Wallen v. Warden Nance, C/A 4:26-cv-00835-MGL-TER, a matter pending in the District Court;
6. Counsel is working on other state and federal matters, and this request is not made for the purpose of delay but due to the foregoing.

WHEREFORE, counsel respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension of time to serve and file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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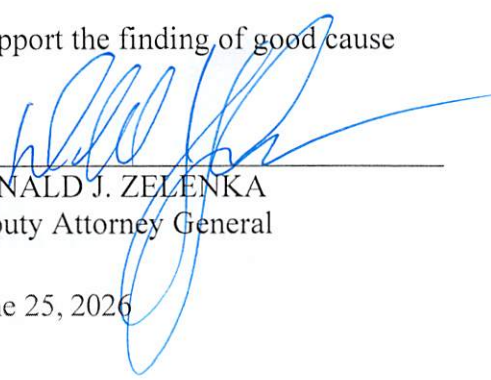
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I support the finding of good cause



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PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that pursuant to Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR and the Supreme Court order of April 24, 2024, the Motion for a fourth extension of Time to file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter, along with Certificate of Service has been forwarded to Appellant's counsel, Wanda H. Carter, Esquire via email today, June 25, 2026 to Wcarter@sccid.sc.gov and to her assistant at sleverett@sccid.sc.gov.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 25th day of June 2026.

s/Tommy Evans, Jr.

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Please find attached the Respondent's Fourth extension which will be filed today, June 25, 2026.

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