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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

S.C. SUPREME COURT

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to York County

Honorable Edward W. Miller, Circuit Court Judge

ERIC NEAL PATTON,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2026-000059

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

Counsel for Eric Neal Patton respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from July 13, 2026, until August 12, 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 Eric Neal Patton 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 his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

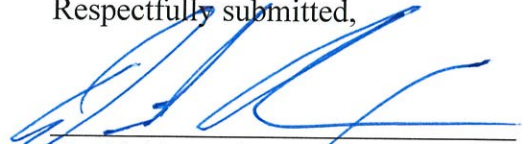
3. Counsel filed the Motion to Hold Appeal in Abeyance and Remand for Reconstruction of the Record in the case of Michael Myers v. SCDMH with the Supreme Court on July 1, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Ryan Woodruff with the Court of Appeals on June 29, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant, Motion to Supplement the Record on Appeal, and Supplemental Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Kenneth Dawson with the Court of Appeals on June 16, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Sinatra L. Hunter v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 15, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Marty Brown with the Court of Appeals on June 12, 2026. Counsel had an oral argument in The State v. Kereen Donyell Lee in the Court of Appeals on June 9, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of James Bubba Patterson v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 8, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Daniel Machito Buckson with the Court of Appeals on June 3, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Petitioner in the case of The State v. Desmond Lamar Green with the Supreme Court on June 1, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Joseph Landry with the Court of Appeals on May 22, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and Appendix in the case of The State v. Jason Barry Bell with the Supreme Court on May 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals and Appendix in the case of The State v. Phillip Ryan Lawson with the Supreme Court on April 28, 2026.

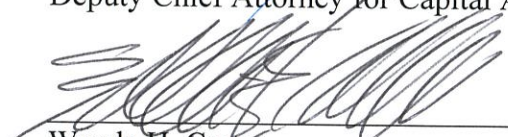
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. On July 2, 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 August 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from July 13, 2026 until August 12, 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 13th day of July, 2026.