

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Richland County

Honorable Milton Kimpson, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOHN HENRY DIAL, JR.,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001265

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for John Henry Dial, Jr. respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from July 13, 2026 until August 12, 2026, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter 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 Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Camron Ezekiel Hyatt with the Court of Appeals on July 10, 2026. Counsel filed

the *Anders* Brief of Appellant, Designation of Matter and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Jaquan Patrick Anthony Jones with the Court of Appeals on June 24, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Deandre Black with the Court of Appeals on June 19, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Mark Anthony Festus Scheibler with the Court of Appeals on June 11, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Brian N. White v. The State with the Supreme Court on June 5, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of The State v. John Wilson Williamson, III, et al. before the Court of Appeals on June 2, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Jeremy David Larkin with the Court of Appeals on May 12, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Jonathan Art Lincoln v. The State with the Supreme Court on May 6, 2026.

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

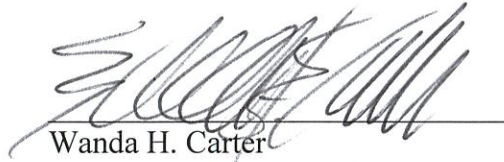
4. On July 2, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through July 31, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from July 13, 2026 until August 12, 2026. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Molly M Keegan
Appellate Defender



Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender

This 13th day of July, 2026.

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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 Mark R. Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 13th day of July, 2026.


Molly M Keegan
Appellate Defender

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Mr. Farthing,

Please find attached for service the 3rd Extension Request for the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter for John Henry Dial, Jr.'s appeal which will be filed with the Court of Appeals today.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

Chris Stock
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