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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Supreme Court

Appeal from Greenville County
The Honorable Grace Gilchrist Knie, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

Petitioner,

v.

JOHN RICHARD WOOD,

Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2020-001205

**MOTION FOR SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND APPENDIX**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a second thirty (30) day extension to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following:

Respondent's Petition and Appendix are due Monday, July 27, 2026. The undersigned attorney has had a number of state and federal matters to attend since June 23, 2026. Specifically,

1. Counsel prepared and filed the Initial Brief of Respondent in the matter of The State v. Jordin Glover, Appellate Case No. 2025-000849, a matter in the South Carolina Court of Appeals, on June 23, 2026;
2. Counsel attended a status conference in the matter of Anthony Woods v. State of South Carolina, C/A No. 2018-CP-14-382, a capital post-conviction relief matter, on June 26, 2026;

3. Counsel attended a status conference in the matter of Jerome Jenkins v. State of South Carolina, C/A No. 2022-CP-26-8071, a capital post-conviction relief matter, on June 29, 2026;
4. Counsel prepared and filed the Reply to Petitioner's Response in Opposition for Motion for Summary Judgment in the matter of Justin Simms v. Warden of Evans Correctional Institution, C/A No. 9:25-06429-JFA-MHC, on June 30, 2026;
5. Counsel prepared and filed the Response to Amici Brief in the matter of Nazareth Sanchez-Peralta v. The State of South Carolina, Appellate Case No. 2023-001588, a matter in the South Carolina Court of Appeals, on July 13, 2026;
6. Counsel is currently preparing to file the Motion of Summary Judgment and the Return and Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment in the matter of Wallace Demery v. Warden Williams, Allendale Correctional Institution, C/A No. 1:26-cv-1121-JDA-SVH, on July 27, 2026; and
7. Counsel is currently preparing to file the Initial Brief of Respondent in the matter of The State of South Carolina v. Kurtino D. Weathersbee, Appellate Case No. 2025-000246, a matter in the South Carolina Court of Appeals, on July 31, 2026.
8. Counsel is working on other state and federal matters, and this request is made in good faith, and not for the purpose of delay.

Due to counsel's involvement in these and other matters counsel has been unable to timely complete the Petition and Appendix in this matter.

WHEREFORE, undersigned counsel for Respondent moves this Court to enlarge the time for filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix by granting a thirty (30) day extension of time, and ordering the response to be filed on or before August 26, 2026.

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