

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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In the Matter of:
David Edward Murday (Decedent)

Appellate Case No. 2026-001100

Elsbeth Murday, Appellant,

Appeal From Richland County
Court of Common Pleas

vs.

Alanna Murday, Respondent.

Case No. 2026-CP-400-0467

**APPELLANT'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SERVE AND FILE
BRIEF OF APPELLANT, DESIGNATION OF MATTER TO BE INCLUDED IN
THE RECORD ON APPEAL, AND RECORD ON APPEAL**

Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, Appellant Elsbeth Murday, appearing self-represented, moves this Court for an extension of time to serve and file her Brief of Appellant, her Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal, and the Record on Appeal, currently due July 21, 2026. Appellant requests an extension of thirty (30) days, through and including August 20, 2026.

GROUND

1. **Pending, unresolved motion before the Circuit Court.** Appellant's Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment, dated April 3 but filed with the Circuit Court on April 6, 2026,

together with the accompanying accommodation requests, remains pending and has not yet been ruled upon. On July 20, 2026, Appellant filed a Motion for Ruling on Pending Motion, requesting that the Circuit Court either decide the April 6 Motion or confirm in writing that it lacks jurisdiction to do so during the pendency of this appeal. The resolution of that motion may bear directly on the scope of the issues, and the content of the record, presented in this appeal. Appellant cannot at this time predict how long the Circuit Court will require to receive, address, and rule on the pending motion, and respectfully submits that proceeding with the Brief, Designation, and Record before that ruling issues risks requiring supplemental or amended filings shortly after this Court's ordinary deadlines.

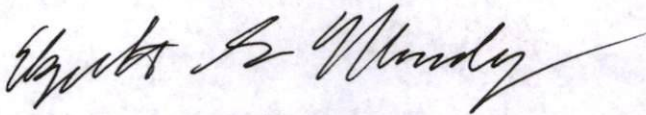
2. **Outstanding Probate Court transcripts.** Certified transcripts of two hearings material to this appeal — the January 12, 2026, Probate Court hearing and the June 4, 2026, bond hearing — have not yet been produced or received, although the bond hearing transcript was only requested today out of an abundance of caution. The court reporter with whom Appellant has already attempted to order the probate hearing transcript is Garber Reporting Service based in Columbia, SC. Appellant requires at least the probate transcript to accurately complete the Record on Appeal, and to cite the record correctly in her Brief.
3. Appellant is a self-represented litigant proceeding without the assistance of counsel due to difficulty finding a probate, real estate, or personal injury attorney (the last simply for experience with medical testimony) who is willing to deal with all three subject areas in a case with directly life-threatening consequences for failure, rather than simply referring her to someone else in one of the other areas. Appellant has already contacted the South Carolina Bar's Lawyer Referral Service several times, along with South Carolina Legal Services.
4. The Record on Appeal in this matter is voluminous, spanning probate proceedings, a circuit court appeal, and related bond proceedings over approximately fourteen months, and currently comprises in excess of sixty exhibits, orders, and pleadings.

5. Certain documents and sub-exhibits necessary for the Record — including certain petitions filed January 12, 2026, submitted-but-unsigned subpoenas submitted on January 2, 2026, certain message and phone logs, and certain sub-exhibits within the Communications Exhibit Timeline — are still being located and compiled.
6. Appellant has a documented, longstanding disability affecting her mobility, ability to see / hear / read / understand speech / hold a pencil / use a keyboard, capacity to travel, and other very basic mental and physical tasks to the point that even daily self-care is typically a struggle; this same disability has been the subject of accommodation requests previously made in the underlying circuit court proceedings, including the accommodation requests raised in the still-pending April 6 Motion described in Paragraph 1 above. Unfortunately, these symptoms are unpredictable in terms of onset, type, severity, and duration — so the best single accommodation which Appellant can request is simply extra time to find ways to adapt to any combination of symptoms.
7. This is Appellant's first request for an extension of time in this appeal. Respondent has not yet been required to take any action in response to Appellant's Brief, Designation, or Record, and no hearing or other deadline currently set by this Court currently depends on the requested extension.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Appellant submits that good cause exists for at least one extension and respectfully requests that this Court grant an additional thirty days, through and including August 20, 2026, to serve and file her Brief of Appellant, her Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal, and the Record on Appeal.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Please be aware that I was forced to mail all documents dated July 20, 2026 on the following day (July 21, 2026) due to immobility in the afternoon. This motion and related service still fall within the 30-day window, I just didn't want a date discrepancy to create any confusion. Apologies, also struggling with a pen.

Sincerely,

Elsbeth Murday

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