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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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Certiorari to Greenwood County

Honorable S. Bryan Doby, Circuit Court Judge

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SC Court of Appeals

ZY'TAWN KEINAS CHILDS,

PETITIONER

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-002046

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PRO SE RESPONSE

Petitioner, Zy'Tawn Keinas Childs, proceeding pro se, respectfully moves this Court for an extension of time to file his pro se response to the petition for writ of certiorari submitted by appointed counsel pursuant to Johnson v. State.

Petitioner is presently incarcerated and is preparing his response without the assistance of counsel. His access to the institutional law library, legal research materials, copying services, and other resources needed to prepare a meaningful response is limited.

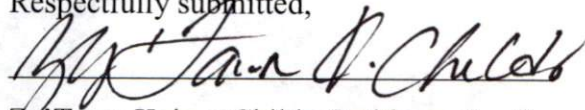
Although the Court's correspondence bears an earlier date, the correctional facility's institutional records reflect that Petitioner did not actually receive and sign for the correspondence until July 7, 2026. Petitioner respectfully asks the Court to consider that actual date of receipt in determining whether good cause exists for additional time.

The pro se response requires Petitioner to review the available record and address issues he believes should be considered in this appeal, including matters that may not have been addressed in counsel's Johnson petition. Because of the delayed receipt and Petitioner's restricted access to legal materials while incarcerated, additional time is reasonably necessary to prepare the response.

Petitioner has acted in good faith and does not seek additional time for purposes of delay.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days from the present deadline, or such additional time as this Court deems just and appropriate, to file his pro se response.

Respectfully submitted,



Zy' Tawn Keinas Childs, Petitioner Pro Se

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990 Wisacky Highway

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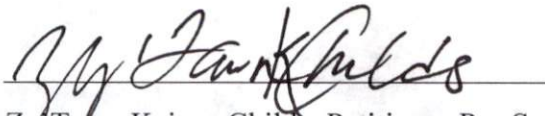
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the date written below, I placed a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion for Extension of Time to File Pro Se Response in the institutional mailing system, with sufficient postage or other authorized institutional mailing procedures, addressed to counsel for Respondent at the address shown on the most recent filing or correspondence in this case.

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