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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal From Greenville County
The Honorable G.D. Morgan, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No: 2025-001368

THE STATE, Respondent,

vs.

JASON RAMONE STEWART, Appellant.

MOTION FOR THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Respondent, through its undersigned counsel, would respectfully show unto this Court as follows:

I.

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter are due to the Court today, pursuant to two previous extensions granted by the Court.

II.

Pursuant to RE: Extension Requests in Criminal Direct Appeals and Post-Conviction Relief Certiorari Proceedings: Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009, the Respondent moves for a third extension in the above referenced appeal. Due to work required in other cases pending before this Court, the undersigned counsel is unable to complete this Brief on time. Since the last extension was granted in this matter, the undersigned counsel submitted an Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the Court of Appeals in State v. William

Russell Oliver, II (2024-001236), State v. David Lamar Thompson (2025-001260), and State v. Matthew Quinn Gillespie (2025-000562); submitted a Final Brief of Respondent in the Court of Appeals in State v. Jackleen Mullen (2024-001302); and submitted a Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Supreme Court in Rodney R. Green v. State of South Carolina (2025-000277) and Jeremiah Smith v. State of South Carolina (2025-001998). Counsel would therefore request an extension of time within which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter.

III.

This extension request is not intended for purposes of delay, but rather to ensure that the Brief is properly researched and prepared.

WHEREFORE, Respondent prays that the Court extend the deadline for the service and filing of the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in this case for thirty days; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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I have reviewed and approved this extension request.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Grace Sommer, certify that I have served the Motion for Extension of Time on E. Charles Grose, Jr., and C. Rauch Wise, Esquires, counsel of record for the Appellant, by sending one copy by electronic mail to the address listed for counsel in AIS.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.
This 24th day of August, 2026.

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