

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Lexington County

Honorable Perry H. Gravely, Circuit Court Judge

RICKY ESAW,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001407

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND APPENDIX

Counsel for Ricky Esaw respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days from August 31, 2026 until September 30, 2026, in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a second request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Ricky Esaw respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions

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previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Robert Cimbollek with the Court of Appeals on August 27, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Richard Hudson with the Court of Appeals on August 18, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Bralen Barksdale with the Court of Appeals on August 14, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Bryan Terrell Mitchell with the Court of Appeals on August 6, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. John Henry Dial with the Court of Appeals on July 30, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Darrell Foster McCoy, Jr. with the Court of Appeals on July 23, 2026. Counsel filed the *Johnson* Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Willam J. Brunson v. The State with the Supreme Court on July 15, 2026. 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.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

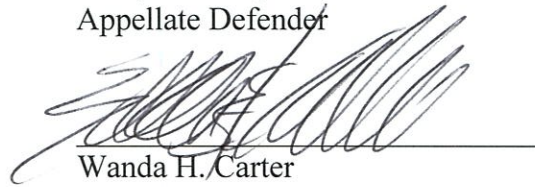
5. On August 3, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through August 31, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension from August 31, 2026 until September 30, 2026, in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for serving and filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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This 31st day of August, 2026.