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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

Appeal from Charleston County
The Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

Respondent,

v.

DAVID OMEGA BEAUFORT,

Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2025-002293

**MOTION FOR THIRD EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension in which to file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. Opposing counsel has graciously consented to all extensions through September 1, 2026. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following:

Respondent's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter are due today, August 28, 2026, as per this Court's Order granting Respondent's second extension request. The undersigned attorney for the Respondent has had a number of state and federal matters to attend to since August 2026. Specifically,

1. Counsel prepared and filed the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter on July 27, 2026, in the matter of The State v. Charles William Murphy, Jr., Appellate Case No. 2025-000135, a matter pending in this Court;
2. Counsel will be prepared for and participated in a Virtual Status Conference on August 12, 2026 in the capital matter of Timothy Jones, Jr. v. State of South Carolina, Case No. 2024-CP-32-01312;
3. Counsel prepared and filed the Return and Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment, due August 13, 2026, in the matter of Jason Scott Simmons v. Warden of Allendale Correctional Institution, a matter pending in the District Court;
4. Counsel prepared and filed the Brief of Respondent on August 14, 2026, in the matter of The State of South Carolina v. Ernest Condre Bethel, Appellate Case No. 2026-000486, a matter pending in South Carolina Supreme Court;
5. Counsel is working on other state and federal matters, and this request is not made for the purpose of delay but due to the forgoing.

WHEREFORE, counsel respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension of time to serve and file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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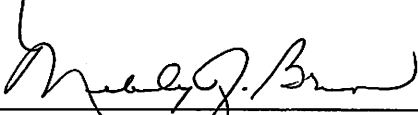
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I support the finding of good cause

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MELODY J. BROWN
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PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that pursuant to Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR and the Supreme Court order April 24, 2024, the Third Extension of Time to file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter have been forwarded to Appellant's counsel, Wesley Chandler Norville, Esquire, via email today, August 28, 2026 to CNorville@sccid.sc.gov and to his assistant, Kaylynn Warren at KWarren@sccid.sc.gov.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This is the 28th day of August 2026.

s/Tommy Evans, Jr.
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Brandy Rankin

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Dear Mr. Norville,

Please find attached the Respondent's Third Motion for Extension to file the Initial Brief, Designation of Matter, and Proof of Service. These documents will be filed with the South Carolina Court of Appeals today, August 28, 2026, together with a copy of this email. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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