

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Lexington County

Debra R. McCaslin, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOSE MANUEL RAMIREZ,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-001968

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for Jose Ramirez respectfully requests a thirty (30) day extension from September 14, 2026 until October 14, 2026, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a third request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.

2. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Tristan W. Ramey v. State with the Supreme Court on September 2, 2026. Counsel was recently

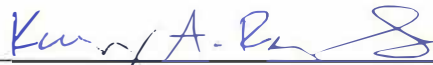
assigned to and is scheduled to appear for Oral Argument in the case of Keylan J. Durham v. State before this Court on October 13, 2026. Counsel was assigned this case on September 3, 2026. Counsel began employment with the Division of Appellate Defense on August 3, 2026.

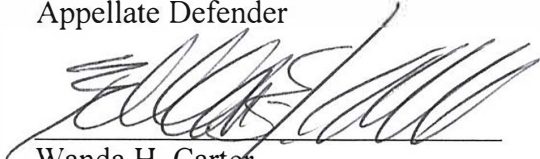
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

4. On August 27, 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 October 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension from September 14, 2026 until October 14, 2026. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,


Kersey A. Reynolds
Appellate Defender


Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender

This 14th day of September, 2026.

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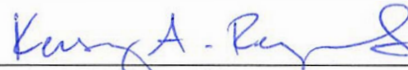
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for Extension in the above-referenced case has been served upon Mark R. Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 14th day of September, 2026.



Kersey A. Reynolds
Appellate Defender

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Good morning,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the third motion for extension which will be filed today September 14th with the Court of Appeals via email filing.

Respectfully,

Catherine Walkup, Administrative Assistant