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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Charleston County

Honorable Jocelyn J. Newman, Circuit Court Judge

JAY L. COOK,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2026-000663

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

Counsel for Jay Cook respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, from September 25, 2026, until October 26, 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 third 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 Jay Cook respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions

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

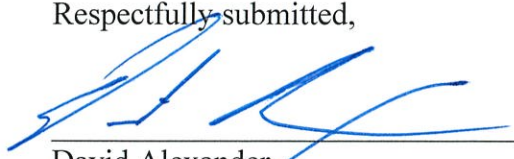
3. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the case of Valentino M. Hayward v. The State with the Court of Appeals on September 18, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant in the case of In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Anthony Donnell Brown with the Court of Appeals on September 11, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. William David Boone with the Court of Appeals on August 26, 2026. On August 24-25, 2026, counsel appeared in circuit court in Beaufort County representing a client who was called as a witness in the case of State v. Messiah Anderson. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Matthew Joseph Hogan with the Court of Appeals on August 19, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in the case of Eric Neal Patton v. The State with the Supreme Court on August 12, 2026. Counsel spoke at and attended a CLE on August 6-7, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Breonte A. Glasgow with the Court of Appeals on July 31, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of The State v. Stacy Michelle Rabon with the Court of Appeals on July 30, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. James Etheridge Jones with the Court of Appeals on July 28, 2026.

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

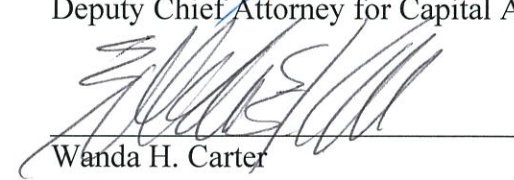
5. On August 27, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through October 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension from September 25, 2026 until October 26, 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 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 25th day of September, 2026.