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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Kershaw County
Milton Kimpson, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JACOB RAY WESCOTT,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2026-000313

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

Counsel for Jacob Wescott respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension from October 19, 2026 until November 18, 2026**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth 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 with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Jacob Wescott 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 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. Victor M. Pouge with this Court on October 14, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Holly Jo Thompson v. The State with the Supreme Court on October 9, 2026. Counsel filed the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and the Appendix in the case of Charles Otis James III v. The State with the Supreme Court on October 2, 2026. Counsel attended and presented the Case Law Update at the mandatory Annual Public Defender Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina from September 28-30, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Willie Leo Darby with this Court on September 28, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Lafredia Corlett Todd with this Court on September 21, 2026. Counsel appeared for Oral Argument in the case of Daniel Jamaal Lawrence v. The State before this Court on September 16, 2026. Counsel filed the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the case of The State v. Derrick Lamont Brunson with this Court on September 11, 2026. Counsel filed the Brief of Appellant and the Record on Appeal in the case of The State v. Jody Lynn Ward with this Court on September 8, 2026. Counsel appeared as a witness at the post-conviction relief evidentiary hearing in the case of Gary Wirtz v. The State via WebEx on September 1, 2026, Counsel filed the Brief of Petitioner in the case of The State v. Ronald Lee Lyons with the Supreme Court on September 1, 2026.

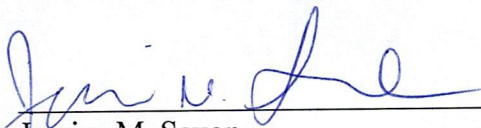
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel

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.

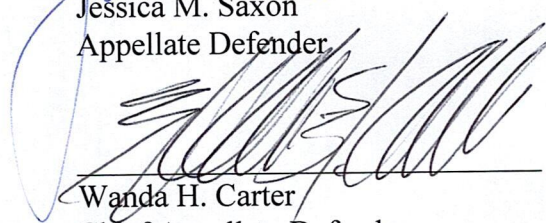
5. On September 24, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through November 1, 2026.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension from October 19, 2026 until November 18, 2026**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

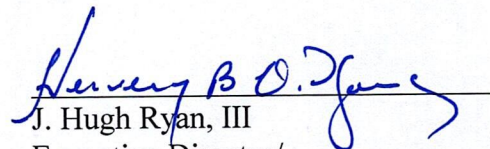
Respectfully submitted,



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This 19th day of October, 2026.

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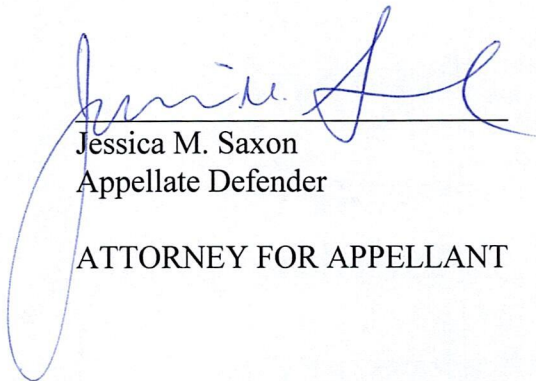
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 19th day of October, 2026.



Jessica M. Saxon
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Warren, Kaylynn

From: Warren, Kaylynn
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Subject: 2026-000313 The State v. Jacob Ray Wescott
Attachments: 2026-000313 The State v. Jacob Ray Wescott Fourth Motion for Extension.pdf

Good Morning,

Attached for service in the above-referenced case is the Fourth Motion for Extension which will be filed today, October 19, 2026, with the Court of Appeals via email filing.

Respectfully,

Kaylynn

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