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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

Deadra L Jefferson, Circuit Court Judge

Case No.

2026-002292

The State,

Respondent,

v.

Daquan Arkeem West,

Appellant.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL AND FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FIND NEW COUNSEL

Appellant was convicted after a guilty plea on October 6, 2026. Sentence was imposed the same day, and appellant was sentenced to twelve years imprisonment. The undersigned was retained for the criminal case, but not the appeal. In keeping with his duties as defense counsel, the undersigned filed the Notice of Appeal on October 14, 2026.

The undersigned respectfully requests leave to withdraw as counsel in this appeal. Counsel is unaware whether the Appellant will qualify for the Office of Appellate Defense or whether he intends to retain counsel for his appeal.

In addition, the undersigned respectfully requests that this Honorable Court allow Appellant 30 days from the date of any order in response to this Motion to obtain new counsel and extend all deadlines, including the arguable basis for appeal that is due on November 5, 2026, accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that on this, the 22nd day of October 2026, Appellant's Motion to Withdraw as Counsel and for Extension of Deadlines was served on the South Carolina Solicitor's Office by email and/or US Mail.

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RE: The State v. Daquan A. West
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Dear Ms. Kitchings,

Enclosed you will find a motion to be relieved of counsel and proof of service. I am sending a copy to the appellant and respondent as well.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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