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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The Honorable Roger M. Young, Sr., Circuit Court Judge
The Honorable Jennifer B. McCoy, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2026-000964
Case No. 2020-CP-10-02357

LYSANDRA SERRANO,
SAVANNAH MCKENZIE,
CASANDRA AUNGST,
SYNDNEY BROWN, RYAN
COUGHLIN, individually
and on behalf of all others
similarly situated,Appellants,

v.

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
UNIVERSITY., Respondent.

THIRD MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONDENT'S INITIAL
BRIEF AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD ON
APPEAL

Respondent Charleston Southern University respectfully moves under Rules 208(a)(2), 209, 240, and 263(b), SCACR, for a thirty (30) day extension of time to file and serve its Initial Brief and Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal. In support of this motion, Respondent states the following:

This is Respondent's third request for an extension of time to file and serve its Initial Brief and Designation of Matter. Respondent submits that good cause exists for a thirty (30) day extension of the current November 9, 2026 deadline.

First, the matter is complex. Appellants' Initial Brief was permitted to exceed the standard fifty-page limit, reflecting the scope of the appeal. The appeal seeks review of two separate circuit court orders—the order setting aside CSU's default and the order granting summary judgment to CSU—each presenting numerous factual and legal issues. Respondent requires adequate time to prepare a thorough Initial Brief and Designation of Matter responsive to the issues raised, particularly given the length of Appellants' brief and the complexity of the record. More importantly, the parties are presently engaged in detailed settlement discussions through a mediator. These settlement discussions have the potential to fully resolve this case within the next thirty (30) days and render further briefing in this Court unnecessary.

The requested extension is limited and is not sought for purposes of delay. Counsel for Respondent have consulted with counsel for Appellants, who consent to this motion and to the requested extension of time. For these reasons, Respondent respectfully requests that the Court grant it a thirty (30) day extension of time, or until Wednesday, December 9, 2026, to file and serve its Initial Brief and corresponding Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal, together with such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned of the law offices of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP,
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