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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal From Pickens County
The Honorable G. D. Morgan, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No: 2025-002006

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent,

vs.

DAVID JEROME STOWERS,

Appellant.

**MOTION FOR FOURTH EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO SERVE AND
FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

Respondent, through its undersigned counsel, would respectfully show unto this Court as follows:

I.

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter is due to the Court today, pursuant to three previous extensions granted by the Court.

II.

Pursuant to RE: Extension Requests in Criminal Direct Appeals and Post-Conviction Relief Certiorari Proceedings: Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009, the Respondent moves for a fourth extension in the above referenced appeal. Due to work required in other currently pending cases, the undersigned counsel is unable to complete this Brief on time. Since the last extension was granted in this matter, the undersigned counsel has filed a Final Brief of Respondent in The State v. Toby Khan Armstrong (2025-000718) and In the Interest of Dawone

W. (2025-001431); filed an Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in The State v. Mark Anthony Winchell (2025-002455), The State v. Joseph Gary Landry (2025-000446), The State v. Jeremy David Larkin (2025-001481); submitted a Return to Petition for Rehearing to the Court of Appeals in The State v. Jamira U. Davis (2023-001215); submitted a Petition for Writ Certiorari, Appendix, and Return to Petition for Writ Certiorari in The State v. Nevelle Joshua Eberhart (2026-002120); filed an Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in The State v. Joseph Stephen Connolly, Jr. (2026-000208); and has completed an Oral Argument in The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Christopher Hampton v. Jonathan Nance (25-6151). Counsel would therefore request an extension of time within which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter.

III.

The undersigned counsel submits this extension request is supported by extraordinary circumstances and is not intended for purposes of delay. The undersigned counsel is currently working on the Brief in this case and intends to have it finished in a timely manner. However, the undersigned counsel has not yet been able to finish the Brief due to a heavy workload. Accordingly, to ensure the Brief is properly researched and prepared, I would therefore request an additional extension of time within which to serve and file the Brief.

WHEREFORE, Respondent prays that the Court extend the deadline for the service and filing of the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in this case for thirty days; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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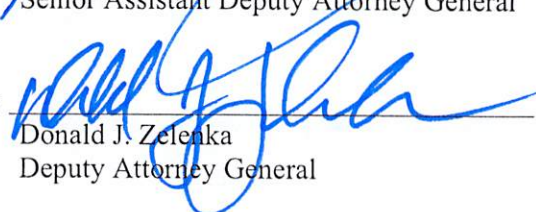


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I have reviewed and approved this extension request.


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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Bianca Cammarata, certify that I have served the Motion for Extension of Time on Wanda H. Carter, counsel on record for the Appellant, by sending one copy by electronic mail to the address listed for counsel in AIS.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.
This 28th day of October, 2026.



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