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APPEAL FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA  
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Honorable Melody L. James, Commissioner  
W.C.C. File No. 1122484

Appellate Case No. 2014-002070

William W. Huggins, Jr.....Respondent,

v.

City of Mullins and South Carolina Municipal Trust.....Respondents,

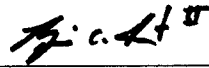
Rakesh Chokshi, M.D. ....Appellant.

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE INITIAL BRIEF**

Appellant Rakesh Chokshi, M.D., by and through the undersigned counsel, submits the instant Motion for Extension of Time to File Initial Brief. Counsel for Appellant, Carl E. Pierce, II, was hospitalized at Roper Hospital in Charleston on October 8, 2014 and at the date of this filing is still in the hospital. Appellant respectfully requests that the Court grant an extension of thirty (30) days from the deadline established in Rule 208, SCAR requiring initial briefs to be filed within (30) days after service of the notice of appeal so that Appellant's initial brief must be due on or before November 24, 2014. Appellant received the transcript from the Commission prior to serving the Notice of Appeal. This extension will not likely interfere with any rights of the Respondents.

Wherefore, Appellant respectfully requests an Order extending his deadline to file an initial brief to November 24, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

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Re: *Huggins v. City of Mullins and South Carolina Municipal Trust*  
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Our File No.: D2391.02

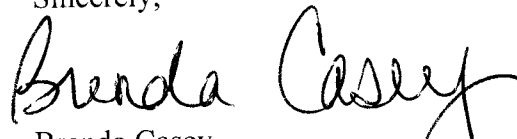
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed, please find Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to File Initial Brief along with our filing fee of \$25.00, regarding the above-referenced matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or should you need anything else at this time. Please note that all counsel of record has been copied on this correspondence.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

  
Brenda Casey  
Paralegal to Benjamin C. Smoot, II

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