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APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Steven H. John, Circuit Court Judge

Appeal # 2016-00226

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McKissick, Back Gate
Holdings, LLC, and Fidelis
Holdings, LLC Respondent,

v.

Michael R. Ray, Appellant.

MOTION TO ENLARGE FILING TIME

Now before the Court comes Michael R. Ray, the *pro se* Appellant, to Motion the Honorable Court for an enlargement of time in which to file his opening brief.

After receipt of the Official Court Transcript of the lower court proceedings, it was determined that documents from the original Circuit Court case file in Horry County were necessary. Appellant is presently located some 815 miles from the courthouse. While Horry County has its dockets online, it does not yet have its docket entry documents available online.

The Appellant had to arrange for a third-party provider to locate and retrieve the needed documents. The documents are necessary for inclusion in the Appendix and further are critical to advance the underlying appeal matter. The necessary documents were not available from the Clerk's Office to the document retriever and an additional request has been made. Appellant has found it necessary to travel to South Carolina to obtain the documents and information required. Due to personal health issues, and a recent significant diagnosis, this cannot be accomplished for approximately two (2) weeks.

The Appellant is *pro se* and while he is certain the court disfavors such requests, he asks this court for accommodation on this matter, to properly advance his appeal.

WHEREFORE, the Appellant asks that the Court to enlarge the Opening Brief deadline by thirty (30) days, up to and until August 11, 2016.

July 9, 2016



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I certify that I have served the Motion to Enlarge Filing Time on Kelvin F. Lewis, Anthony McKissick, Back Gate Holdings, LLC, and Fidelis Holdings, LLC, by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on July 11, 2016, addressed to their attorney of record, Andrew Preston Brittain, 4614 Oleander Drive, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577.

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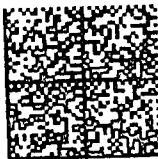
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