

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Georgetown County  
Larry B. Hyman, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JODY WARD,

APPELLANT.

Appellate Case No.: 2018-000402

Petition to File Reinstate Appeal

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Counsel would respectfully request a to reinstate the appeal. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following:

1. The Initial Brief and Designation of Matter were due to be filed on April 3, 2019.
2. Counsel inadvertently scheduled this deadline on April 4, 2019.
3. Counsel discovered this scheduling mistake when attempting to prepare an extension request on April 4, 2019.
4. Counsel prepared a Petition to File Out of Time with the consent of Respondent.
5. This appeal was dismissed on April 29, 2019.

6. On May 2, 2019, Appellant filed to Petition to File Out of Time, Initial Brief, and Designation of Matter.
7. In addition to this matter in the last month Counsel has prepared for two jury trials in circuit court; argued a bench trial in General Sessions; and appeared in circuit court on nine different days. Additionally, Counsel has been dealing with issues in his personal life that have required significant amounts of attentions.
8. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.
9. Counsel has attempted to communicate with Counsel for the State. However, Presently has not heard back on their position on this matter. However, they were not opposing Counsel's Petition to File Out of Time.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request to reinstate the appeal.

May 14, 2019



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**Proof of Service**

On May 14, 2019, the undersigned counsel served a copy of the Petition to Reinstate Appeal on Respondent by depositing it in the mail.

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Re: The State v. Jody L. Ward (Appellate Case 2018-000402)

Dear Ms. Kitchings,

Enclosed please find the Petition to Reinstate Appeal in the above referenced case.

Sincerely,



Tristan M. Shaffer

CC: Melody Brown

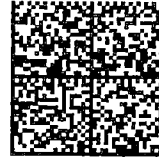
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