

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM LAURENS COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Donald B. Hocker

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Appellate Case No. 2019-001514  
Civil Action No. 2015CP3000624

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Martha Foster Watts, Appellant

v.

Ricky W. Chastain, Sheriff Laurens County,  
South Carolina, Respondent.

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**RESPONDENTS'  
MOTION FOR EXTENSION**

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The respondents respectfully request a forty-five (45) day extension of time within which to file their Initial Response Brief and Designation of Matter. Counsel for the respondents respectfully requests this extension as a result of other litigation commitments and in light of the disruptions and hardships resulting from the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Specifically, counsel for the respondent is now forced to work from home while homeschooling her step-daughter and taking care of her two year old and 1 year old. Counsel for the appellant consents to this

extension.

Based on the foregoing, counsel for respondent respectfully submits that, upon information and belief, the ends of justice would be best served through the granting of this request.

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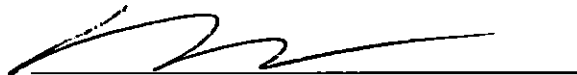
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Respondent's Motion for Extension of Time on Appellant by depositing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on March 25, 2020, addressed to the attorneys of record, as indicated below.

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*Appellate Case No.: 2019-001514*  
*Lower Court Civil Action Number: 2015-CP-30-00624*  
*SCAC Claim Number: EV2013005339*

Dear Madam Clerk:

With regard to the above matter, please find enclosed herewith Respondent's Motion for Extension along with filing fee of \$50.00. Also enclosed is our Proof of Service upon Appellant's counsel.

Warmest regards.

Yours very truly,  
CHAPMAN, HARTER & HARTER, P.A.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell W. Harter, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Russell W. Harter, Jr.

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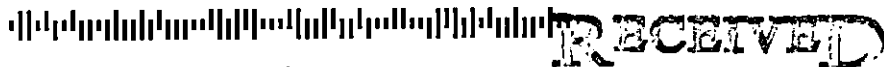
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