

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Lexington County
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable Eugene Griffith, Circuit Court Judge

The State of South Carolina,

Respondent,

V.

Markese Christopher Wilson

Appellant.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-001425

**Appellant's Motion for Extension of
Time to Request Transcript**

Appellant, Markese Wilson, through his undersigned counsel, would respectfully show the following to this Honorable Court:

Appellant filed a Notice of Intent to Appeal on October 26, 2020. Appellant is currently an inmate at Kirkland Correctional Institution ("Kirkland"). Appellant is expecting the South Carolina Commission of Indigent Defense ("SCCID") to take over this appeal. SCCID requires applicants to submit an affidavit of indigency that contains an original signature and notarization before it will undertake representation.

After multiple attempts, the undersigned counsel have been unable to obtain a properly signed copy of the affidavit of indigency from Appellant to date. The undersigned counsel sent

two copies of the affidavit of indigency to Appellant at Kirkland. However, Appellant never received the copies. The undersigned counsel then faxed a copy of the affidavit to the Kirkland Warden's office. The Warden's secretary was able to obtain Appellant's signature on the affidavit, but she only returned a copy to the undersigned counsel by fax, which was not notarized.

The undersigned counsel are not allowed personal contact with Appellant per Kirkland's COVID-19 rules. Furthermore, attorney Ben Stitely was diagnosed with COVID-19 on November 12, 2020. Attorney Theo Williams has undergone a COVID-19 test and is awaiting results. The secretaries in the criminal section of Williams, Stitely & Brink, PC are also currently out of the office pending COVID-19 test results.

This extension is not intended for the purposes of delay.

WHEREFORE, Appellant prays that this Court extend the deadline for Appellant to request the transcript in this matter thirty (30) days.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Proof of Service

I certify that on November 16, 2020, I served the Motion for Extension of Time to Request Transcript upon the individuals named below by email and by placing a copy of same in United States Mail, postage prepaid and return address clearly indicated to the addresses below:

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Appellate Case No. 2020-001425


Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and one copy of Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to Request Transcript in the above-referenced case. Please return the clocked-in copy to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

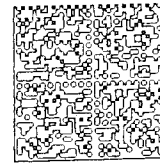
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