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APPEAL FROM COLLETON COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

Bentley D. Price, Circuit Court Judge

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Appellate Case No. 2021-000827

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Aretha Elizabeth Bennett,

Appellant,

v.

Theola Pitts and Colleton County School District,

Respondents.

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**MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO FILE FINAL BRIEF AND  
DESIGNATION OF MATTER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD ON  
APPEAL**

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NOW COMES Respondents, by and through its undersigned counsel, and moves pursuant to SCACR Rule 240 for an extension of time for Respondents to file their Final Brief and Designation of Matters to be Included in the Record on Appeal.

Appellant filed and served her Record on Appeal on January 6, 2022. However, due to the loss of a family member, Respondents are requesting an additional 10 days to file their Final Brief which would make their filing due on or before Feb. 5, 2022. Appellant has indicated that she consents.

Therefore, based upon the foregoing, Respondents respectfully request that they be allowed until February 7, 2022 to file the Final Brief.

Dated this the 26th day of January 2022.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served Respondents' *Motion to Extend Time to File Final Brief* on Aretha Elizabeth Bennett by sending a copy via electronic mail, on January 26, 2022 addressed to her attorney of record, William L. Pyatt, at [pyattlawfirm@gmail.com](mailto:pyattlawfirm@gmail.com) and upon co-counsel for Defendant Theola Pitts at [margie@brightmatthewslaw.com](mailto:margie@brightmatthewslaw.com).

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I consent to the extension you requested

Thanks

On Wed, Jan 26, 2022 at 4:41 PM Brown McLeod <[brownmcleod@mfclawfirm.com](mailto:brownmcleod@mfclawfirm.com)> wrote:

Mr. Pyatt,

Will you agree to a 10 day extension for us to file the final brief? My father passed away and I've not had an opportunity to finalize it.

Thanks,  
Brown



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