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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Beaufort County

Honorable Robert J. Bonds, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOSEPH DECORIYUS BURTON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-000619

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

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The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty-day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

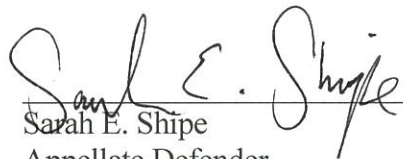
1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the reply to return to petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Carmie Josette Nelson with the Supreme Court on January 18, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the State v. Anthony T. McKennie with this Court on January 18, 2022. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the State v. Jermaine Silas White with this Court on January 7, 2022. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Jeffery James Williams with this Court on December 22, 2021.

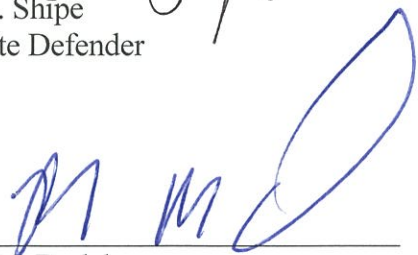
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.

4. Opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, has graciously consented to this extension request by way of the thirty-day general consent granted by email from Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka dated January 31, 2022 for all Appellate Defense extensions through February 28, 2022.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Sarah E. Shipe  
Appellate Defender

  
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Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

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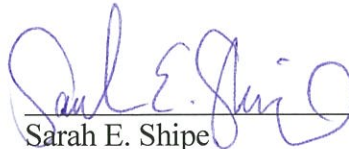
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Motion for Extension in the above-referenced case has been served upon William M. Blich, Jr., Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS), this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2022.

  
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Sarah E. Shipe  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR APPELLANT