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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Newberry County

Honorable J. Mark Hayes, Circuit Court Judge

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MAURICE ODOM,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-000950

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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
AND APPENDIX

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Counsel for Maurice Anthony Odom respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a second request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.

2. Counsel for Maurice Anthony Odom respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage her

caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.


3. On February 17, 2022, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Donnielle K. Matthews with the Court of Appeals. On January 28, 2022, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in The State v. Jody Ray Thompson with the Supreme Court. On January 25, 2022, counsel had an oral argument in James Allen Johnson v. The State before the Court of Appeals. On January 14, 2022, counsel filed a return to petition for rehearing in The State v. Montrelle Lamont Campbell with the Court of Appeals. On December 17, 2021, counsel filed a brief of petitioner in Mathew C. Dwyer v. The State with the Court of Appeals.

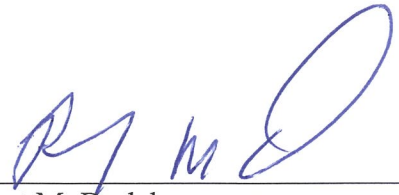
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. On January 31, 2022, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through February 28, 2022.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for serving and filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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This 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.