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With the Name of Allah, Most Merciful, Most Gracious **SC Court of Appeals**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Case No. 2021-1028

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO PAY FILING FEE**

Regina M. Hunter El)
1165 Broad St. #16)
Sumter, S.C. 29150)

Appellant(s))

Appeal from
Court of Common Pleas, Sumter County
Case No. 2021-CP-43-1534
Hon. Ferrell R. Cothran

v.)

Elijah Hunter)
3400 Hwy. 261 North)
Rembert, S.C. 29128)

Respondent (s))

Appeal from
Summary Court, Sumter County
Case No. 2021CV4310102733
Fred H. Gordon, Jr., Magistrate

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO PAY FILING FEE

1. On 1 February 2022, Chief Judge H. Bruce William denied the Appellant’s amended Motion to proceed without prepayment of costs pursuant to *Ex Parte Martin v. the State* 321 S.C. 533, 471 S.E.2d 134 despite her assertion of fundamental right to privacy under the U.S. Constitution. Here, the Appellant requests an additional 30 days to pay the required \$250 filing fee and states the following in support:
2. On 17 December 2021, the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina entered an order granting her Motion for Extension of Time to Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit (USCA4), pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5)(A) in the matters of Hunter El v. Hunter (C/A No. 3:21-2928 MBS and Hunter v. Hunter El (C/A No. 3:21-2929 MBS) for good cause. Two months ago, the Appellant stated she was homeless and that the

ejection had an adverse impact on her physical, emotional, educational and financial well-being. Here, the Appellant respectfully request that additional time to pay the filing fee because these conditions persist and also because she is pursuing relief in multiple courts simultaneously.

3. On 3 January 2022, the Appellant filed her Notice of Appeal to the USCA4 with the clerk of the U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina. In the federal court, a text order was entered allowing the Appellant to continue without costs.
4. On 4 January 2022, the deputy clerk of the USCA4 sent the transmittal sheet(s) for Notice of Appeal to the USCA for both cases.
5. On 5 January 2022, James C. Campbell, the Clerk of Court for the Sumter County Court of Common Pleas sent a “*Notice of Case Scheduling*” that stated that the matter of Hunter v. Hunter (Case No. 2021CP4301534, Roster ID: 377) would be reheard on 31 January 2022. The Appellant planned to appear via WebEx but on Monday, 31 January 2021, at 9:38 a.m., Mr. Jackson stated the matter was still pending and would not be on the roster for that day.
6. Thus, since the retirement of former Chief Judge James E. Lockemy much of the Appellant’s time was spent preparing for the local court hearing which never occurred instead of accumulating the monies required to pay this court’s filing fee or complete the informal briefings due to the USCA4.
7. Furthermore, on 6 January 2022, the Clerk of the USCA4 docketed the cases and entered Informal Briefing Orders (Case No. 22-1021—Elijah Hunter v. Regina Hunter El) and Case No. 22-1015—Hunter El v. Hunter et al.) due on 31 January 2022, the same day set for the local court hearing that did not occur.

8. Then, on 3 February 2022, the USCA4 prematurely issued a notice of failure to file informal briefings contrary to Rule 26(b), Rule 26(c), and Rule 27(1)(2), Fed. R. App. P.
9. Thus, on 3 February 2022, the Appellant also moved for a Motion for Extension of Time to File Informal Briefs in both cases. (No. 22-1021, No. 22-105). On 4 February 2022, the USCA4 Clerk entered an order granting a 25-day extension, until 28 February 2022 to file her informal briefs.
10. Further, the Appellant's initial registration for the CM/ECF, made in November 2021, was denied because she did not have not have an active case with the Court then. However, after her cases were docketed and she registered again, her electronic filing was approved. Her ECF account was only activated for filing on 2 February 2022 with the assistance from the Court's technical support desk.

THEREFORE, the Appellant prays the Court will grant additional time to pay the required filing fee to proceed on appeal¹.

Respectfully,


RMB/el 2-16-2022

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¹ Supporting exhibiting sent electronically due to time constraints to purchase U.S. postal money order at Sumter Main Post Office on 16 February 2022 before closing.

VERIFICATION

Executed this 16th day of February 2022, 15 Rajab 1443 AH under penalty of perjury that the statements and facts contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief as to these matters.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Regina M. Hunter El, certify that I served a copy of this Motion for Extension of Time to Pay Filing Fees on Elijah Hunter by depositing a copy of the same with the United States Postal Service, with first class mail postage, to the parties in the attached service list.

Executed this 16th day of February 2022 C.E., 15 Rajab 1443A.H.

Respectfully,

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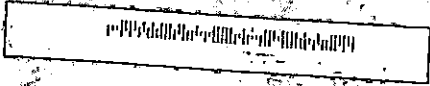
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