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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Sumter County

R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

DAVID L. HILL, JR.,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-000749

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for David L. Hill respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until April 23, 2022**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fourth request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for David L. Hill 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.

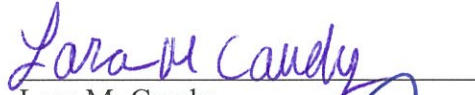
3. On March 21, 2022, counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant in The State v. Bryan Austin Seidle with the Court of Appeals. On March 15, 2022, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in The State v. Stacardo Grissett with the Supreme Court. On March 3, 2022, counsel filed the petition for rehearing in James Allen Johnson v. The State with the Court of Appeals. On March 2, 2022, counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in The State v. Jonathan Art Lincoln with the Court of Appeals. 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 the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix 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.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

5. On February 28, 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 March 31, 2022.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until April 23, 2022**, in which to serve and file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

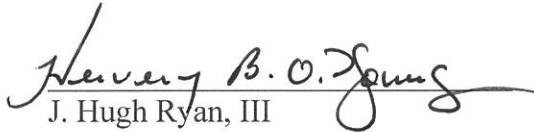
Respectfully submitted,



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This 24th day of March, 2022.

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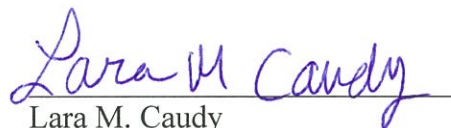
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 24th day of March, 2022.



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