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In The Supreme Court

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Jean H. Toal, Circuit Court Judge
Consolidated C.A. No. 2015-CP-10-2389

Appellate Case No.: 2020-000605

Amy Garrard and Lee Garrard, Guardians Ad Litem for R.C.G., a Minor; Dean Frailey and Kathryn Frailey, Guardians Ad Litem for C.F., a Minor; Richard Nelson and Cherly Nelson, Gaurdians Ad Litem for D.G.N., a Minor; Adam Olsen Ackerman; and AEP, III, Plaintiffs,

v.

Charleston County School District, Kevin Clayton, Axxis Consulting Company, and Jones Street Publishers, LLC, Defendants,

And

Eugene Walpole, Plaintiff,

v.

Charleston County School District, Kevin Clayton, Axxis Consulting Company, and Jones Street Publishers, LLC, Defendants,

Of Whom Eugene Walpole, Amy Garrard and Lee Garrard, Guardians Ad Litem for R.C.G., a Minor; Dean Frailey and Kathryn Frailey, Guardians Ad Litem for C.F., a Minor; Richard Nelson and Cherly Nelson, Gaurdians Ad Litem for D.G.N., a Minor; Adam Olsen Ackerman; and AEP, III are the Petitioners,

And

Jones Street Publishers, LLC, is the Respondent.

**RESPONDENT'S CONSENT MOTION
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE BRIEF**

Pursuant to Rule 263(b), SCACR, Respondent respectfully moves the Court for a 15-day extension of time in which to file its responsive brief in this matter. Respondent's brief is presently due on May 12, 2022. Respondent requests additional time because Petitioners' Brief and the Appendix were mailed to a former office of counsel for Respondent, resulting in a delay in the delivery of Petitioners' filings. Additionally, counsel for Respondent requests the extension to accommodate existing family and professional commitments.

Respondent has not previously requested an extension of this briefing deadline. The undersigned has communicated with counsel for Petitioners, who has graciously consented to the extension.

For the foregoing reasons, Respondent respectfully requests that its deadline for filing its brief be extended to May 27, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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