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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Chester County

J. Derham Cole, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

MICHAEL A. WILLIAMS,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2021-001033

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

Counsel for Michael Anthony Williams respectfully requests a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until June 3, 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 Michael Anthony Williams 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.

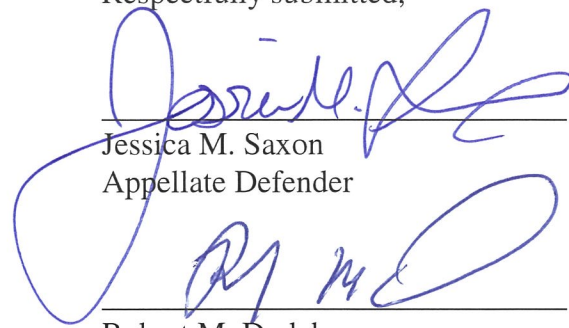
3. Counsel filed the Anders Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Michael Andre Walcott with the Court of Appeals on April 5, 2022. Counsel filed the Final Brief of Appellant and the Final Reply Brief of Appellant in the case of The State v. Gary M. Wirtz with the Court of Appeals on March 28, 2022. Counsel filed the Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the case of Bruce M. Richardson v. The State with the South Carolina Supreme Court on March 16, 2022. Counsel filed the Final Brief of Appellant in the case of James Winston Almond v. The State with the Court of Appeals on March 9, 2022.

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.

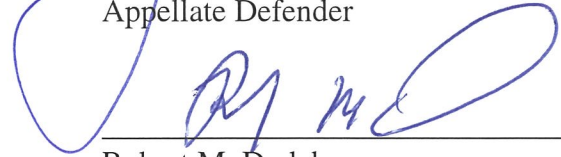
5. On April 28, 2022, opposing counsel, the Office of the Attorney General, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through May 31, 2022.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **fourth and final thirty (30) day extension until June 3, 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.

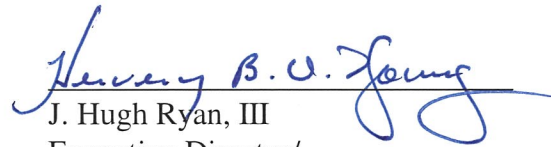
Respectfully submitted,



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This 4th day of May, 2022.

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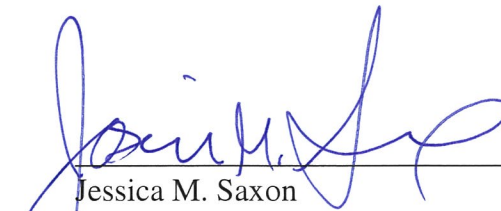
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 4th day of May, 2022.



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