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MICHAEL RIPPO,

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA.

Respondent.

S.C. CASE NO. 44094

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF

COMES NOW, Christopher R. Oram, Esq., attorney for Appellant, MICHAEL RIPPO, and moves this Court for an Order granting an extension of time of forty five (45) days from the date the Opening Brief is now due, to wit: March 11, 2005, and extend the time to and including, April 25, 2005, for the filing of the Opening Brief. This motion is made and based upon NRAP 27 and 31(a), the Affidavit of Christopher R. Oram, Esq., filed herewith, and the Points and Authorities attached hereto.

DATED this _____ day of March, 2005.

Respectfully submitted by:

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POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Time for Serving and Filing Briefs.

The appellant shall serve and file the OPENING brief within one hundred and twenty (120) days after the date on which the appeal is docketed in the Supreme Court. The respondent shall serve and file his answering brief within thirty (30) days after service of the brief of the appellant. After service of respondent's brief, any OPENING brief must be served and filed within thirty (30) days. . . . By written stipulation timely filed with the Supreme Court, the parties may extend the time for filing any brief for a total of thirty (30) additional days unless the court otherwise orders. Applications for extensions of time beyond that to which the parties are permitted to stipulate are not favored, and will be considered only on motion for good cause clearly shown, or ex parte in cases of extreme and unforeseeable emergency. The Supreme Court may shorten the periods prescribed above for serving and filing briefs, either by rule for all cases or for classes of cases, or by order for specific cases."

That Appellant's Opening Brief in this matter is currently due on March 11, 2005.

The undersigned is also preparing for the State of Nevada v. James Wade, C190857. Mr. Wade will proceed to trial on March 28, 2005, in district court department five. Mr. Wade also faces several serious charges and the State is also seeking a penalty of death. The undersigned has been diligently preparing for Mr. Wade's upcoming trial date.

This is the second request for extension of time. However, although the undersigned is aware that caseload is not an excuse, he must dedicate an adequate amount of time so he may be fully prepared for both Mr. Rippo's case and Mr. Wade's case. Mr. Rippo received a sentence of death and Mr. Wade faces a sentence of death. Therefore, based on the seriousness of these cases, the undersigned wishes to be adequately prepared

and has no alternative but to continue Mr. Rippo's opening brief. This will be the final request for extension of time requested regarding Mr. Rippo's brief. Additionally, the undersigned requests a forty five (45) day continuance, due to Mr. Wade's trial commencing on March 21, 2005 and is expected to take two weeks.

Therefore, the undersigned would respectfully request that this Honorable Court grant an extension of forty five (45) days within which to file Appellant's Opening Brief. DATED this \(\text{day of March, 2005.} \)

Respectfully submitted by:

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Attorney for Defendant MICHAEL RIPPO

AFFIDAVIT OF CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF

STATE OF NEVADA)
) ss:
COUNTY OF CLARK)

CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ., being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada. I am counsel for the Appellant in the above-entitled matter. I have personal knowledge of all matters contained herein and am competent to testify thereto.
- That Appellant's Opening Brief in this matter is currently due on March11, 2005.
- James Wade, C190857. Mr. Wade will proceed to trial on March 28, 2005, in district court department five. Mr. Wade also faces several serious charges and the State is also seeking a penalty of death. The undersigned has been diligently preparing for Mr. Wade's upcoming trial date.
- 4. This is the second request for extension of time. However, although the undersigned is aware that caseload is not an excuse, he must dedicate an adequate amount of time so he may be fully prepared for both Mr. Rippo's case and Mr. Wade's case. Mr. Rippo received a sentence of death and Mr. Wade faces a sentence of death. Therefore, based on the seriousness of these cases, the undersigned wishes to be adequately prepared and has no alternative but to continue Mr. Rippo's opening brief. This will be the final

- 5. Therefore, the undersigned would respectfully request that this Honorable Court grant an extension of forty five (45) days within which to file Appellant's Opening Brief.
 - 6. That this motion is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay.

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

DATED this _____ day of March, 2005.

CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ.

SWORN and SUBSCRIBED before me this __ day of March, 2005.

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I am an employee of CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ., and that on the _____ day of Eebruary, 2005, I did deposit in the United States Postal Service office at Las Vegas, Nevada, in a sealed envelope with postage fully pre-paid thereon, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF

TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF, addressed to:

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An Employee of Christopher R. Oram, Esq.