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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

Appellant's Motion for Extension of time due to recently filed

TRANSCRIPT AND RECENTLY RECEIVED DOCUMENTS

COMES NOW Appellant TERRENCE KARYIAN BOWSER, by and

through Deputy Public Defender AUDREY M. CONWAY, and moves this Honorable Court to grant a forty-five day extension of time from January 23, 2009, through and including Monday, March 9, 2009, within which to file the Opening Brief in the above entitled case.

This Motion is based upon the Declaration of counsel attached hereto.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2009.

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## DECLARATION OF AUDREY M. CONWAY

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- 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada; I am a deputy public defender assigned to handle the appeal of this matter; I am familiar with the procedural history of this case.
- 2. That the Opening Brief was due to be filed on or before January 23, 2008. This Court has granted four previous extensions, three of which resulted from delays in receipt of transcripts, and one of which resulted from delays in the preparation of the appellate appendix and affiant's need for additional time to research and write the opening brief.
- Because this was a capital case, the file is voluminous, consisting of eight bankers' boxes of documents. This office has recently experienced significant delays in the incorporation of documents into the appellate appendices of several appellate files staffing shortages. due to Unfortunately, appellate staff recently located two additional bankers' boxes of documents related to this case, resulting in a delay of two weeks while the documents were reviewed, indexed, and incorporated into the appendix. Further, appellate staff only recently discovered that not all trial transcripts had been properly stamped and incorporated into the appellate appendix, resulting in a delay of an additional two weeks while the were placed transcripts in order, stamped, copied, and incorporated into the appellate appendix.

4. As of the last extension request in late November, 2008, the appellate appendix consisted of three volumes of about 250 pages each, but included only some of the trial transcripts. However, the final appendix including all transcripts and the recently discovered documents was recently completed and delivered to affiant in the last week of December. The final appendix consists of seven volumes and a total of 2,310 pages.

- 5. Because this was a capital case, the trial and hearing transcripts were filed with the District Court prior to the filing of the Notice of Appeal. However, these documents are scattered throughout the seven volumes of the thousands of pages of the lower court record and were only recently placed in order within the appendix. Further, the transcript of the codefendant's sentencing was just filed on December 30, 2008, which appellant has not received yet but which may involve a discussion of facts relevant to Mr. Bowser's appeal and which may need to be incorporated into the appendix.
- 6. During the process of reading the nearly thirty pre-trial motions (also scattered throughout the voluminous record); identifying and reading the transcripts of the hearings thereupon; and locating and reading the trial court's numerous rulings, it became clear that certain critical motions had been partially or completely omitted from the appendix, or included within the appendix but not identified as a separate motion within the index. Compounding the confusion, some of the motions

contained similar captions and had been conflated in the record although they proffered varying arguments and sought varying relief.

- 7. Because the lower court sometimes did not rule on a particular matter at the initial hearing date and because some of the motions and hearings related to a co-defendant, accurate identification and reconstruction of this record took far more time than I anticipated and resulted in significant delays in the research and writing of the opening brief.
- 8. As a result of the complexity of the legal issues, the seriousness of the charges and the sentences, the recently filed transcripts, and the sheer size of the record in this case, affiant respectfully asks this Honorable Court to grant another extension of forty-five days to complete the research and writing of the opening brief, to review the recently-completed appendix, and to comport all references to trial transcripts in the brief with the recently-stamped appellate appendix.
- 9. That this request for extension of time is made in good faith and not for the purposes of delay.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED on the  $23^{rd}$  day of January, 2009.

AUDREY M. CONWAY

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify and affirm that I mailed a copy of the foregoing Appellant's Motion for Extension of Time to the attorney of record listed below on this 23rd day of January, 2009.

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