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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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JAMES CHAPPELL

Appellant,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

S.C. CASE NO. 61547

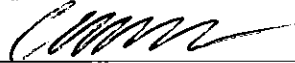
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OPENING BRIEF

COMES NOW, Christopher R. Oram, Esq., attorney for Appellant, JAMES CHAPPELL, and moves this Court for an Order granting an extension of time of ninety (90) days from the date the Opening Brief is now due, to wit: February 21, 2013, and extend the time to and including, May 22, 2013, 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 21st day of February, 2013.

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."

Mr. Chappell's Opening Brief is currently due on February 21, 2013. This is the first request for an extension of time. The instant case is an appeal from a murder conviction and Mr. Chappell is sentenced to death. Mr. Chappell's appendix is expected to be thousands of pages and Mr. Chappell has numerous pertinent issues to raise.

Therefore, Counsel respectfully request that this Court permit him ninety (90) days in order to properly brief these issues.

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AFFIDAVIT OF CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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STATE OF NEVADA }
COUNTY OF CLARK } ss:

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.

2. Mr. Chappell's Opening Brief is currently due on February 21, 2013. This is the first request for an extension of time. The instant case is an appeal from a murder conviction and Mr. Chappell is sentenced to death. Mr. Chappell's appendix is expected to be thousands of pages and Mr. Chappell has numerous pertinent issues to raise.

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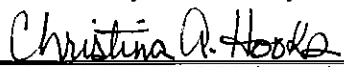
4. That this motion is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay.

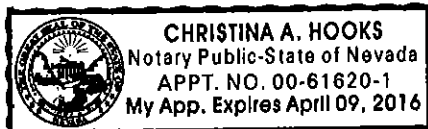
FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

DATED this 21st day of February, 2013.


CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ.

SWORN and SUBSCRIBED before me
this 21st day of February, 2013.


NOTARY PUBLIC in and for
said County and State



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify and affirm that this document was filed electronically with the Nevada Supreme Court on February 21, 2013. Electronic Service of the foregoing document shall be made in accordance with the Master Service List as follows:

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Nevada Attorney General

STEVE OWENS
Chief Deputy District Attorney

CHRISTOPHER R. ORAM, ESQ.

BY:

/s/ Jessie Vargas
An Employee of Christopher R. Oram, Esq.