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IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JAVAR ERIS KETCHUM,

Appellant,

VS.

STATE OF NEVADA,

Appellee,

Supreme Court No. 75097

District Court Case No. C319714

APPELLANT'S SECOND MOTION TO EXTEND TIME FOR FILING OPENING BRIEF

COMES NOW, Appellant Javar Eris Ketchum, by and through his undersigned counsel, and pursuant to NRAP 27 and 31(b)(3), and respectfully requests an extension of time to file his Opening Brief. The Opening Brief is currently due on June 27, 2018. A fourteen day (14) telephonic extension was previously granted. Through this motion, Appellant requests up to and including July 27, 2018 in which to file his Opening Brief.

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

A. <u>FACTS</u>

Mr. Ketchum was convicted of one count of murder with a deadly weapon and one count of robbery with use of a deadly weapon on May 26, 2017. Mr. Ketchum was sentenced on February 5, 2018. Mr. Ketchum filed a timely appeal of the district court's judgment on February 6, 2018. While preparing the Opening Brief, counsel realized that the transcripts for the parties' opening statements was not prepared. Undersigned counsel filed a Motion with the district court, which was subsequently granted. The transcripts were prepared and filed with the district court on April 26, 2018. Counsel was not informed of the preparation of the transcript until May 2, 2018. Since receipt of the transcripts, counsel has had to prepare for trial and sentencing hearings in various in unrelated cases. While extension of time for calendar conflicts and press of business are not favored by the Court, the delay in transcripts and the pendency of a Motion for Appointment of Counsel with the District Court, which is pending consideration, establish good cause to grant the instant motion. This is a complex case involving a voluminous record and requires a complete review of the record prior to preparation of the Opening Brief. There is no risk of prejudice to the State of Nevada or to the Client from granting of this motion.

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B. APPLICABLE LAW

NRAP 27 and NRAP 31(b)(3) permits a party to file motion to seek an extension of time to file a brief. This motion satisfies the requirements of NRAP 27 and 33(3)(A).

The Opening Brief is currently due June 27, 2018. This is first written request for an extension of time. Previously, a fourteen (14) day telephonic extension of time was granted on June 13, 2018. As detailed in the previous section, good cause exists as there was a delay in receipt of the transcripts, a motion to appoint counsel is pending in the district court, and Counsel for the Appellant requires additional time to review the trial transcripts to prepare the Opening Brief.

On June 27, 2018, undersigned counsel's support staff contacted the Attorney General's Office for the State of Nevada via telephone to ascertain their position on the present motion; however, we did not receive a response prior to filing this motion.

This request is not made for any dilatory purpose, but is necessary to protect the interests of the Appellant.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the Appellant respectfully requests that this Court grant this extension request and extend the time to file the opening brief up to and including July 27, 2018.

The foregoing does not include the social security number of any person.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2018. JAVAR ERIS KETCHUM, by his attorney,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A COPY of the foregoing MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME was mailed postage prepaid on this 27th day of June 2018 addressed as follows: Adam P. Laxault, Esq. OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 100 North Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701 John Giordani, Esq. Chief Deputy District Attorney 200 Lewis Ave.

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An employee of Wooldridge Law, Ltd.

- 4. In preparation for this appeal, we had requested that all of the transcripts be prepared; however, due to oversight by the reporting service, the parties' opening and closing statements were omitted from the record. Consequently, I had to file a motion to compel production of the omitted transcripts.
- 5. After the transcripts were completed, I received notification on or about May 2, 2018 that the transcripts were prepared; however, since that date I have had to prepare for trial and sentencing hearings in various unrelated cases.
- This Court originally set the Opening Brief due date at June 13, 2018.
 A telephonic extension was granted up to and including June 27, 2018.
- 7. Further, undersigned counsel is presently representing the Appellant without compensation. Undersigned counsel has just recently filed a Motion for Appointment of Counsel with the District Court, which is pending consideration.
- 8. This is a complex case involving a voluminous record and requires a complete review of the record prior to preparation of the Opening Brief.
- 9. There is no risk of prejudice to the State of Nevada or to the Client from granting of this motion.

- 10. Accordingly, in order to allow sufficient time to prepare a proper brief,

 I respectfully request that the Court extend the due date for filing the opening brief until July 27, 2018.
- 11. This request is not made for any dilatory purpose, but is necessary to protect the interests of the appellant.

I swear under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated this 27th day of June 2018.

/s/ Nicholas M. Wooldridge

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