#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ALFRED P. CENTOFANTI, III,

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VS.

Tracie K. Lindeman Clerk of Supreme Court

THE STATE OF NEVADA.

Respondent.

Appellant,

APPELLANT'S MOTION TO EXPAND TIME TO FILE REPLY BRIEF

COMES NOW, Appellant, Alfred P. Centofanti, III, by and through his attorney, Rochelle T. Nguyen, Esq., of NGUYEN & LAY, and respectfully requests this Court allow leave to expand time to file opening brief by thirty (30) days, from May 23, 2012 to June 23, 2012, for the reasons set forth in the points and authorities therein and the attached declaration of counsel.

Dated this 11th day of May, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### POINTS AND AUTHORITES

NRAP Rule 26(b)(1)(A) provides as follows:

For good cause, the court may extend the time prescribed by these Rules or by its order to perform any act, or may permit an act to be done after that time expires.

## DECLARATION OF ROCHELLE T. NGUYEN, ESQ.

ROCHELLE T. NGUYEN, ESQ., declares under penalty of perjury:

- 1. That I am a licensed attorney practicing law in the State of Nevada, and that I have been appointed to represent the Appellant, ALFRED P. CENTOFANTI, III., in the above-captioned case.
- 2. That the Appellant is making this request in good faith so that he be allowed additional time to fully investigate, research and raise meritorious issues to this Honorable Court.
  - 3. That the Appellant's Reply Brief is currently due on May 23, 2012.
- 4. That the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (post-conviction) that this appeal stems from was 334 pages in length, with approximately 2,000 of exhibits.
- 5. That the district court conducted an evidentiary hearing, allowed for video-taped deposition testimony and took the matter under advisement for nearly 8 (eight) months before issuing a written Order.
- 6. That the State's Response was filed on April 23, 2012. Their brief was twenty-one (21) pages in length.
- 7. That, due to the volume of the instant case, and the number and complexity of the issues presented for appeal, the Declarant requires an additional time to file the Appellant's Reply Brief.
- 8. That the Declarant respectfully request that the Court allow for an additional thirty (30) days to file the Appellant's Reply Brief. This request is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay. This is the first request for a continuance of the reply brief.

Dated this 11th day of May, 2012.

ROCHELLE T. NGUYEN, USQJ

### 1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 The undersigned hereby declares that on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, a true and correct copy 3 4 of the foregoing Appellant's Motion to Expand time to File Reply Brief was sent via U.S. 5 First-Class mail to the following: 6 7 Alfred P. Centofanti, III #85237 P.O. Box 650 (HDSP) 8 Indian Springs, NV 89018 10 11 **CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION** 12 The undersigned hereby declares that on May 11, 2012, an electronic copy of the 13 foregoing Appellant's Motion to Expand time to File Reply Brief was sent via the master 14 transmission list with the Nevada Supreme Court to the following: 15 16 STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney 17 200 South Lewis Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 18 19 **CATHERINE CORTEZ-MASTO** Nevada Attorney General 20 100 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701-4717 21 22 Rochelle T. Nguyen, Esq. 23 Nevada Bar No. 008205 Nguyen & Lay 24 324 South Third Street, Suite 1 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 25 (702) 383-3200 26 rtn@lasvegasdefender.com

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