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Case Number: DA 23-0135

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Supreme Court Cause No. DA-23-0135

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Isaac Dupuis)
Appellant.	
V.	
State of Montana, Department of Labor, Unemployment Insurance Division, Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board,))))
Appellees.)

AFFIDAVIT OF APPELLANT'S COUNSEL IN SUPPORT OF UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

STATE OF MONTANA)
	: SS.
County of Missoula)

Michael O'Brien, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- 1. I am of legal age, a citizen and resident of the state of Montana. I make this affidavit upon my own personal knowledge.
- 2. I am the attorney of record for Appellant in the above referenced matter.
- 3. Initially, Appellant's Opening Brief was due May 5, 2023. A first 30-day extension was filed on May 5 and was consequently granted. Appellant's Opening Brief is due June 7, 2023.
- 4. Appellant requests a second 30-day extension from when the brief is due, which will be July 7, 2023.
- 5. The substantial need for the extension is because counsel is reasonably certain the parties will resolve this matter informally, which obviates the need to proceed with the appeal. Efforts have been undertaken to informally settle this case, including productive appellate mediation. However, outstanding information must be exchanged between the parties before settlement can be consummated. An additional 30 days is likely to afford the parties time to informally resolve the matter.
- 6. In an effort of judicial economy, Appellant requests this second extension.
- 7. Counsel for Appellees was contacted and advised as to the substance of this Motion. Appellees' counsel has informed Appellant's counsel that she does not oppose this Motion.

Further, affiant sayeth naught.

Michael O'Brien

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ____ day of June, 2023.

SEAL M LYONS
NOTARY PUBLIC for the
State of Montana
Residing at Missoula, MT
My Commission Expires
January 07, 2024.

Notary Public for the State of Montana