IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: DA 22-0477

No. DA 22-0477

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

JOHN HILL,

Defendant and Appellant.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITH AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT

COMES NOW, Rachel Inabnit, Appellate Defender for the Appellate Defender Division (ADD), and respectfully requests an extension of time until February 12, 2024, in which to prepare, file, and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above-entitled matter. This is Appellant's twelfth request for an extension. Appellant's opening brief was first due February 10, 2023. Appellant's opening brief is currently due January 12, 2023. Appellant submits the attached affidavit in support of this motion.

Opposing counsel has been contacted and has no objection.

Respectfully submitted this 4th day of January, 2024.

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By: <u>/s/ Rachel Inabnit</u>
RACHEL INABNIT
Appellate Defender

STATE OF MONTANA :ss. County of Missoula

I, Rachel Inabnit, in compliance with M. R. App. P. 26(2), declare:

I am a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Montana, 1. and I am currently a contract defender with the Appellate Defender Division, (ADD).

I recently accepted this case from the ADD to assist with 2. their caseload, and I need additional time to research and examine the issues presented in this appeal.

3. Additional time will be needed for me to be able to prepare and file appellant's opening brief and provide effective assistance of counsel.

4. Opposing counsel has been contacted concerning this motion and does not object.

/s/ Rachel Inabnit January 4, 2023 Rachel Inabnit, Missoula, Montana Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Rachel Glenn Inabnit, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Motion - Unopposed to the following on 01-04-2024:

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Dated: 01-04-2024