

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Supreme Court No. DA 22-0571

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

TRISTAN MICHAEL LANGFORD,

Defendant and Appellant.

DECLARATION OF COUNSEL

Pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. 1-5-105, I, Abigail Coburn, declare and state as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Declaration.
I am over the age of 18, and I am otherwise competent to testify. I represent Appellant in this matter.
2. The Office of the Appellate Defender filed my notice of appearance on September 22, 2023.

3. Appellant's Opening Brief is currently due on February 16, 2024.
4. I recently merged my practice with Ryan & Miller and am preparing for a 6-day federal trial.
5. I need additional time to finish drafting the Opening Brief due to the workload involved with merging practices and preparing for a 6-day federal trial.
6. I am requesting an additional thirty days of time to file the Opening Brief. Such additional time is necessary to provide effective assistance of counsel and constitutes a substantial need for an extension.
7. The State does not object to my Motion for an Extension of Time.
8. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully submitted this 16th day of February 2024.

RYAN & MILLER, PLLC

By: /s/ Abigail Coburn
Abigail Coburn
Attorney for *Appellant*