

IN THE  
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

Phillip M. Giles  
Petitioner,

v.

Record No: \_\_\_\_\_

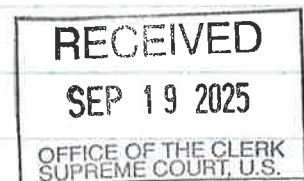
Chadwick S. Dotson,  
Respondent

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

TO: The Honorable John Roberts, Chief Justice

COME NOW Phillip Michael Giles; and, pursuant to Rule 30, Rules of the United States Supreme Court, respectfully Requests an order extending the time to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari, to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Case No.: 24-7008, to November 14, 2025.

This motion is made on the grounds that



1. Giles' Petition for Rehearing was denied by the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals on July 2, 2025.

2. Giles, who is an incarcerated, pro-se litigant, is allowed access to the prison law library only four hours per week which prevents him from completing necessary legal research required to prepare and file an effective and legally sufficient Petition for a Writ of Certiorari. Moreover, during a ten day period in July, after July 2, 2025, Giles had no access to the prison law library due to the fact that the prison in which Giles is confined was on lockdown status.

3. Giles believes that the issues presented by his Petition for a Writ of Certiorari — involving the waiver of his Statutory Right to a speedy trial under Virginia Code Sec. 19.2-243, in violation of his Sixth Amendment Right to effective assistance of counsel and the trial court's directed verdict, in violation of his Sixth Amendment Right to trial by jury — are meritorious.

4. Giles has not previously requested an

extension of time to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari.

WHEREFORE, Giles prays he be granted an extension of time to file a meritorious Petition for a Writ of Certiorari.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of September, 2025

By:

Phillip Michael Giles

Buckingham Correctional Center

P.O. Box 430

Dillwyn, VA 23936

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Phillip Michael Giles, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that a true and correct copy of the Motion For Extension of time has been provided to Counsel for Respondent, by placing said Motion in a postage-paid envelope and mailing said envelope via United States mail this 8th day of September, 2025 to Lindsay M Brooker, 202 North Ninth Street, Richmond, VA

23219.

Phillip M. Giles

Phillip Michael Giles

9-8-2025

Date

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DECLARATION OF INMATE FILING

I am an inmate confined in an institution. Today, September 8, 2025, I am depositing the Motion For Extension of Time in this case in the institution's internal mail system. First-class postage is being prepaid either by me or by the institution on my behalf.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Phillip M. Giles

Phillip M. Giles

Signed on 9-8-2025

**UNPUBLISHED**

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**

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**No. 24-7008**

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**PHILLIP MICHAEL GILES,**

**Petitioner - Appellant,**

**v.**

**CHADWICK DOTSON,**

**Respondent - Appellee.**

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**No. 24-7082**

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**CHADWICK DOTSON,**

**Respondent - Appellee.**

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Appeals from the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, at  
Roanoke. James P. Jones, Senior District Judge. (7:23-cv-00519-JPJ-PMS)

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Submitted: April 10, 2025

Decided: April 15, 2025

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Before WILKINSON and RUSHING, Circuit Judges, and FLOYD, Senior Circuit Judge.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Phillip Michael Giles, Appellant Pro Se.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

## PER CURIAM:

Philip Michael Giles seeks to appeal the district court's orders denying relief on his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition and denying his Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b) motion for relief from the order dismissing his § 2254 petition. The orders are not appealable unless a circuit justice or judge issues a certificate of appealability. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1)(A). A certificate of appealability will not issue absent "a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). When the district court denies relief on the merits, a prisoner satisfies this standard by demonstrating that reasonable jurists could find the district court's assessment of the constitutional claims debatable or wrong. *See Buck v. Davis*, 580 U.S. 100, 115-17 (2017). When the district court denies relief on procedural grounds, the prisoner must demonstrate both that the dispositive procedural ruling is debatable and that the petition states a debatable claim of the denial of a constitutional right. *Gonzalez v. Thaler*, 565 U.S. 134, 140-41 (2012) (citing *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000)).

We have independently reviewed the record and conclude that Giles has not made the requisite showing. Accordingly, we deny Giles' motions to place his appeals in abeyance, deny a certificate of appealability, and dismiss the appeals. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

*DISMISSED*



FILED; June 24, 2025

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ORDER

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The court denies the petition for rehearing.

Entered at the direction of the panel: Judge Wilkinson, Judge Rushing, and  
Senior Judge Floyd.

For the Court

/s/ Nwamaka Anowi, Clerk