

No. 26A_____

In the Supreme Court of the United States

RAHUL CHATURVEDI,

Petitioner,

v.

SIDDHARTH SIDDHARTH,

Respondents.

ON APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE A PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE APPEALS COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT, JUSTICE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON, PRESIDING

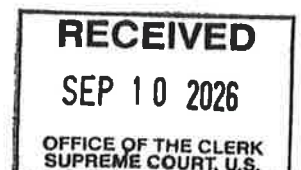
**APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
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To Justice Jackson, for the First Circuit, Presiding

Pursuant to Rules 13.5 and 22 of this Court, Petitioner Rahul Chaturvedi respectfully requests a sixty-day extension of time, through November 9, 2026, to petition for writ of certiorari.

The petition is presently due September 9, 2026. The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts denied discretionary review on June 11, 2026, in *Siddharth Siddharth v. Rahul Chaturvedi*, FAR–30856. App. 8.

The ten-day period under Rule 13.5 falls on Sunday, August 30, 2026, and therefore extends under Rule 30.1 through Monday, August 31. This application is timely.

The Appeals Court of Massachusetts’ memorandum and order of dismissal which review is sought was entered on March 25, 2026. App. 1–4. The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts denied discretionary review on June 11, 2026. App. 8. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1257.

Good cause exists for the requested extension. The June 11, 2026 order arises from litigation spanning nearly two decades. Proceedings now before several appellate courts share parties, records, and federal questions concerning trade-secret protections in interstate commerce.

Respondents invoked state judicial process to obtain expansive discovery of trade secrets protected under the Defend Trade Secrets Act (DTSA), 18 U.S.C. § 1836 *et seq.*, including the forms of information expressly identified in 18 U.S.C. § 1839(3), for disclosure in open proceedings. Assertion of federal and confidentiality

protections was followed by sanctions and continuing enforcement under threat of incarceration.

That course of proceedings extends across Barnstable Superior Court No. 1772CV00144 and its appeal in Massachusetts Appeals Court No. 24-P-1166, from which the judgment presented here arises; supplementary process in the Fal-mouth District Court; the matters consolidated in Supreme Judicial Court No. SJC-13867; and Norfolk Superior Court No. 2182CV00699, now on appeal in Massachu-setts Appeals Court No. 26-P-0501.

First Circuit No. 25-2187 presents the related question of implementing DTSA protections where the state proceedings have not provided a means to preserve the asserted confidentiality. The question thus reaches several judgments and rec-ords, not one.

A petition arising from SJC-13867 is due October 29, 2026. First Circuit No. 25-2187 and Massachusetts Appeals Court No. 26-P-0501 remain pending. Pe-titioner has also sought extensions concerning Barnstable Superior Court Nos. 1772CV00144 and 2372CV00018, as reflected in correspondence from the Office of the Clerk of this Court. App. 10-11.

Respondent here and the respondent in No. 25A259 were formerly Peti-tioner's licensees in a system of interstate commerce. Some of the protected trade secrets concern export-controlled technologies. Preparing the contemplated peti-tions requires separating the judgments and records, identifying the federal

questions preserved in each, and determining whether closely related judgments may properly be presented together under Rule 12.4.

Petitioner is proceeding *pro se* and is seeking counsel representation . He respectfully requests that the time to petition for writ of certiorari be extended through November 9, 2026.

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Appendix A

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APPEALS COURT

24-P-1166

SIDDHARTH SIDDHARTH

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MEMORANDUM AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL

As best we can understand the filings of the defendant, Rahul Chaturvedi, these consolidated appeals arise from (1) the orders of a single justice denying the defendant's request for relief brought pursuant to G. L. c. 231, § 118, first par., relating to the issuance of an alias execution; and (2) the order of a single justice denying the defendant an emergency stay and additional time to file a brief. In the absence of compliant briefing, and because we are unable to discern from the defendant's filings why it is he believes he should have prevailed, we dismiss the appeals.

The defendant seeks review of a single justice order stating, "Although filed as a petition for interlocutory review pursuant to G. L. c. 231, § 118, first par., the within consists of a civil appeal entry form and a notice of filing of a civil

appeal entry form regarding the defendant's appeal from the 9/23/24 order allowing the plaintiff's motion to dismiss" and "[a] review of the trial court docket does not reflect that the defendant has filed a notice of appeal from the 9/23/24 order." The single justice went on to rule, "Even if the defendant does file a notice of appeal in the trial court from the 9/23/24 order, and considering the within to be a request to enter his appeal prior to the trial court completing the assembly of record, the request is denied."

The appellate docket reflects patient efforts by multiple court personnel to afford the defendant an opportunity to present a coherent appellate argument, beginning with multiple extensions of time to file and direction to the applicable rules, and continuing through a provisional reinstatement of the appeals, with the defendant's being allowed to file a nonconforming brief. Although a single justice ultimately allowed the defendant to reinstate the appeals and accepted a nonconforming brief, that ruling was explicit that these acts of grace were "subject to review by a panel of Justices pursuant to the Massachusetts Rules of Appellate Procedure," and that the order "should not be construed as a waiver of the requirement to provide appropriate appellate argument and a sufficient record appendix to enable appellate review."

The panel has reviewed the defendant's filings and concludes that they are manifestly noncompliant with Mass. R. A. P. 16 (a), as appearing in 481 Mass. 1628 (2019). Under this rule, the argument section of an appellate brief must contain the appellant's contentions, the reasons therefor, citations to the authorities and parts of the record on which the appellant relies, and a concise statement of the applicable standard of review for each issue. See Mass. R. A. P. 16 (a) (9), as appearing in 481 Mass. 1628 (2019). "Although some leniency is appropriate in determining whether pro se litigants have complied with rules of procedure, the rules nevertheless bind pro se litigants as all other litigants." Brown v. Chicopee Fire Fighters Ass'n, Local 1710, IAFF, 408 Mass. 1003, 1004 n.4 (1990). We are unable to discern the defendant's contentions with respect to the issues on appeal from his noncompliant briefing.¹

¹ Pursuant to Fabre v. Walton, 441 Mass. 9, 10-11 (2004), and the parties' contract, the plaintiff may, within fourteen days of the issuance of this decision, submit an application for appellate attorney's fees and costs, with supporting materials. The defendant shall have fourteen days thereafter to respond.

Appeals from single justice
orders dismissed.

By the Court (Singh,
Hershfang & Wood, JJ.²),

Carollia M. Patten

Assistant Clerk

Entered: March 25, 2026.

² The panelists are listed in order of seniority.

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(This disposition is referenced
in the North Eastern Reporter.)
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June 11, 2026

(A.C. No. 2024-P-1166).
Opinion
Appellate review denied.

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CERTIFICATE SERVICE

Pursuant to S. Ct. R. 29.2, I certify that 3 bound copies and 1 unbound copy of the application for an extension of time to petition for writ of certiorari are sent to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States through the United Parcel Service via Next Day Air postage prepaid on this 2nd day of September, 2026.

Lastly, I certify pursuant to S. Ct. R. 29.5(c), a copy of the application for an extension of time to petition for writ of certiorari are served all parties required to be served have been served via email and United States Postal Service via First-Class Mail postage prepaid, this 2nd day of September, 2026.

[See attached service list]

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

Executed on September 2, 2026.

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