

IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

UNITED STATES,  
Appellee

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION (3)**

v.

Docket No. ARMY 20250347

Private First Class (E-3)  
**JAYDEN W. CARSON**,  
United States Army,  
Appellant

Tried at Fort Gordon, on 2-3 July 2025,  
before a general court-martial  
convened by Commander, Cyber  
Center of Excellence, Fort Eisenhower,  
Colonel Gregory Batdorff, military  
judge, presiding

**TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY  
COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS**

COMES NOW the undersigned appellate defense counsel, pursuant to Rules 23 and 24 of this court's Rules of Appellate Procedure and moves for a thirty-day extension of time until 21 May 2026 to file a Brief on Behalf of Appellant as Appellant recently secured civilian defense counsel and counsel needs time to prepare and analyze Appellant's brief.

1. On 3 July 2025, Appellant was convicted, consistent with his pleas, of one specification of attempted enticement of a minor to engage in sexual activity, sexual exploitation of children producing child pornography, and distributing child pornography, all in violation of Article 134, Uniform Code of Military Justice [UCMJ], and one specification of sexual abuse of a child involving indecent exposure, in violation of Article 120b, UCMJ. (R. at 208).

Appellant was sentenced to be confined for 144 months for Specification 1 of Charge I, 156 months for Specification 2 of Charge I, 120 months for Specification 8 of Charge I, and 72 months for Specification 1 of Charge II, all to be served concurrently and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge. (R. at 248-49).

2. On 19 July 2025, the convening authority took no action on the findings, and the convening authority disapproved the request for deferment of automatic forfeitures. (Action). On 25 July 2025, the military judge entered judgment. (Judgment). This court docketed appellant's case on 23 October 2025. (Referral and Designation of Counsel).

3. The complete electronic record of trial is 898 pages which includes 249 transcript pages.

4. Appellant's brief is currently due on 21 April 2026. Appellant requests a thirty-day extension of time until 21 May 2026.

5. Appellant is in confinement and consents to this extension request.

6. Good cause exists for this extension. Appellant has recently secured civilian defense counsel. Mr. Hockenberry currently has 19 pending appeals before the service courts and the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. The undersigned counsel is working with the civilian defense counsel to make sure they receive all pertinent case information. Both the undersigned



**CERTIFICATE OF FILING AND SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was electronically submitted to Army Court and Government Appellate Division on April 15, 2026.



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