

Joe Louis Dansby *v.* STATE of Arkansas

CR 97-1415

973 S.W.2d 822

Supreme Court of Arkansas
Opinion delivered September 18, 1998

APPEAL & ERROR — MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE APPELLANT'S BRIEF GRANTED — SHOW-CAUSE ORDER ISSUED. — Counsel's motion for additional time in which to file appellant's brief was granted and the clerk was ordered to file the brief; however, because appellant's attorney had received several extensions, including a "final extension," of the deadline for filing appellant's brief and met none of them, the supreme court ordered counsel to appear and show cause why he should not be held in contempt for failing to file his client's brief on or before the "final extension" deadline.

Motion for Extension of Time To File Appellant's Brief granted; Show-Cause Order issued.

Eugene D. Bramblett, for appellant.

No response.

PER CURIAM. Counsel for appellant Joe Louis Dansby, who is Eugene D. Bramblett, moves for an additional period of time in which to file appellant's brief in a case where Williams received a sentence of death and where a final extension had previously been granted. In reviewing the history of this case, we note where we granted counsel's motion for extensions of time to file appellant's brief on January 20, 1998; April 22, 1998; and May 20, 1998. The last extension was described as a "final extension," and the brief was due on July 19, 1998. The pending motion before this court is for an extension of time to August 18, 1998. Appellant tendered his brief to this court on that date.

We direct the clerk of this court to file appellant's brief.

[1] Because counsel has failed to meet the deadline under a final extension for filing appellant's brief, he is ordered to appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on October 1, 1998, and show cause why he should not be held in contempt.
