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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk of Court of the South Carolina Supreme Court
P.O. Box 11330
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: Sam Bunch v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2021-001068

Dear Ms. Howard,

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, I respectfully request a third thirty-day extension to serve and file this Return. This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but rather, is necessitated by a heavy workload. Opposing counsel, Appellate Defender Sarah Elizabeth Shipe has consented to this request by reciprocal agreement between our offices.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

/s Chelsey F. Marto
Chelsey F. Marto
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 104191

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cc: Sarah Elizabeth Shipe, Esquire

In compliance with: *In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases*, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

s/ Megan Harrigan Jameson
MEGAN HARRIGAN JAMESON
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