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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Supreme Court of South Carolina  
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**Re: Brandon Berry #352671 v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No: 2022-000026**

Dear Madam Clerk:

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, I respectfully request a first 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.

Please let me know if I can provide the Court with any additional information regarding this first extension request. By copy of this letter, I am notifying opposing counsel.

Sincerely,

 Digitally signed by D. Russell Barlow, II  
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