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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court, S.C. Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Demarco Bell v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2012-213570.

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case are due to be served and filed with the Court today. However, because of my heavy workload at this time, I am requesting an extension for 30 days, in which to serve and file the petition.

This case was assigned to Breen Stevens, whose last day with the Appellate Division was Friday, May 24, 2013. Undersigned counsel is assuming Mr. Stevens' caseload effective yesterday, May 28, 2013, and has been reassigned to handle the present case. **A separate letter is being sent to this Court today with a list of cases that undersigned counsel is assuming.**

By copy of this letter, I am informing Megan Harrigan, of the Attorney General's Office, of my request.

Sincerely,

Benjamin J. Tripp
Appellate Defender

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cc: Megan Harrigan, Esquire