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

**Re: Herman Hughes v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2021-001415**

Dear Ms. Howard,

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari pursuant to Austin v. State in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal are due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a third, thirty-day extension to serve and file this Return based on the heavy workload of undersigned counsel. Counsel for Petitioner has consented to this extension request pursuant to a reciprocal agreement between the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of Appellate Defense.

Please let me know if I can provide the Court with any additional information regarding this extension request.

Sincerely,

s/ Megan Harrigan Jameson

Megan Harrigan Jameson
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SC Bar No. 100108

cc: Lara M. Caudy, 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/ Donald J. Zelenka
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