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Good morning:

Thank you for reaching out. I did not plan on filing a return to the petition for writ of certiorari. It was my understanding that “the respondent is not required to file a return, and there are many petitions for writ of certiorari filed in the Supreme Court to which no return is filed. Unlike a direct appeal, the respondent does not consent to the grant of the writ by failing to file a return.” Toal, Appellate Practice in South Carolina, Third Ed. at 307.

If the Court requires a return, I will be happy to provide one, and I will file the appropriate motion and fee to seek an extension to file a return.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Pete

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Good morning,

Per our records, the return to petition for writ of certiorari was due on or before November 21, 2022. Do you intend to file a return in this matter?

Thank you,

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