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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Supreme Court of South Carolina  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29211  
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**Re: Cassie Cunningham v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2022-001435**

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a first, thirty-day extension to serve and file this return based on a heavy caseload. By copy of this letter, I am informing Tommy A. Thomas, Esquire, of this request.

Sincerely,

Joshua A. Edwards  
Assistant Attorney General  
SC Bar No. 101188

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cc: Tommy A. Thomas, Counsel for Petitioner (via email only)