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April 4, 2023

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

Re: The State v. Xzariera O. Gray
Appellate Case No: 2023-000253

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari is due to be served and filed on Wednesday, April 5, 2023. Undersigned counsel hereby request a 15-day extension in which to serve and file its Return. Due to counsel's caseload, including addressing capital matters, counsel has been unable to complete the return.

I respectfully request this Court grant an extension until April 20, 2023 to serve and file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Opposing counsel has consented to all extension requests through April 30, 2023

Sincerely,

s/ Melody J. Brown

Melody J. Brown
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

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cc: Sarah E. Shipe, Esquire (via email only)