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SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: The State v. Jaylen Westly Bell
Appeal from Richland County
Appellate Case No: 2022-001541

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter are due to be served and filed today, October 30, 2023. Undersigned counsel hereby requests a 30-day extension in which to serve and file its Brief. Due to counsel's caseload, including addressing capital matters, counsel has been unable to complete the Brief.

I respectfully request this court grant an extension until November 29, 2023 to serve and file the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter. Opposing counsel has consented to all extension requests through October 31, 2023.

Sincerely,

s/Melody J. Brown

Melody J. Brown
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cc: Breen R. Stevens, Esquire (via email only)