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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Supreme Court of South Carolina  
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**Re: Edward Washington v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2023-000730**

Dear Ms. Howard:

The above-referenced matter is currently pending before this Court. With the court's permission, I respectfully request to please be substituted as counsel of record for the State in place of Assistant Attorney General Suzanne J. Shaw as I intend to represent the State in this matter going forward. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this matter directly to me, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information from this office. The Respondent's Return to the Petition for a Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a **second**, thirty-day extension to serve and file this return based on the heavy caseload 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.

Sincerely,

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ADP/gs

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