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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk of Court, Supreme Court of South Carolina  
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**Re: Demetrius A. Goodwin, #345308 v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No: 2023-001205**

Dear Ms. Howard:

The **Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari** in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a third, thirty-day extension to serve and file this return to petition. This extension request is made in good faith and not intended to delay, but rather due to counsel's heavy workload and to ensure the return to petition is properly researched and prepared. Opposing counsel has graciously consented to this request via interagency agreement.

Please let me know if I can provide the Court with any additional information regarding this third extension request.

Sincerely,

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