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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia SC 29211

Re: Ashley Hardin v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No: 2012-212395

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for a Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a 30-day extension in which to serve and file this Return.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but is necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

J. Walt Whitmire
Assistant Attorney General
S.C. Bar No: 100793

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cc: Wanda H. Carter, Esquire