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ATTORNEY GENERAL

September 4, 2024

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

RE: Thomas Anthony Styla v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No: 2024-000128


Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed on September 4, 2024. However, due to a heavy workload, I am requesting a thirty-day extension to serve and file this return. This is the third extension request in this case, it is being sought based on good cause, and it is not intended for the purpose of delay.

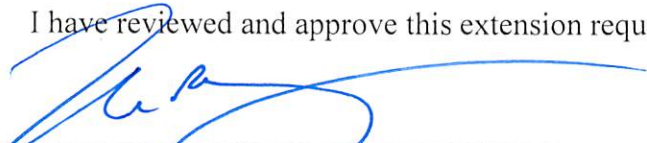
I appreciate your consideration of this request and ask that the filing deadlines be held in abeyance while this request is pending.

By copy of this letter, I am informing counsel for the Respondent/Petitioner of this extension request.

Sincerely,


for J. Benjamin Aplin
Assistant Attorney General
S.C. Bar No: 8729

I have reviewed and approve this extension request:


Mark R. Farthing
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

JBA/ss

cc: Jack B. Swerling, Esquire (via electronic mail)
Victim Advocacy Division