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IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Appellate Case No. 2024-000687

The Honorable R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

Michael T. Barnes.....Petitioner,

v.

The State of South Carolina.....Respondent.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE REPLY

Counsel for the Petitioner, Michael Barnes, respectfully requests an additional **14 days** to file the Reply to Respondent’s Return (filed December 13, 2024), which is currently due on **December 23, 2024**. The extension would make the Reply due on **January 6, 2025**. Counsel filed a Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Supreme Court of the United States on December 19, 2024 appealing the United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals opinion in *United States v. Hargrave*, 2024 WL 2953131 (filed June 12, 2024). Counsel anticipates this will be the only extension needed to file this Reply.

Counsel has conferred with Mr. Andrew Powell of the South Carolina Attorney General’s Office, and he consents to this request.

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