

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to Florence County Court of Common Pleas  
Honorable George M. McFadden, PCR Judge  
Honorable Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Judge

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Appellate Case No. 2024-001270

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JUSTIN M. PRINGLE, #379795,

PETITIONER,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

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**MOTION FOR FIRST EXTENSION TO FILE RETURN TO PETITION  
FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI AND MOTION TO FILE OUT OF TIME**

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Respondent, the State of South Carolina, moves this Court, out of time, for a first thirty-day extension of time in which to file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari. This is Respondent's first request for an extension in which to file the return, which was due to be filed and served on January 22, 2025. Due to a calendaring error, the undersigned counsel missed the deadline.

This extension request is not intended for purposes of delay but rather is due to counsel's heavy workload and to ensure the brief is properly researched and prepared. Opposing counsel has graciously consented to this request via email and inter-agency agreement.

WHEREFORE, undersigned counsel for Respondent respectfully requests the first **thirty-day extension**, in which to complete and file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this case based upon the above circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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