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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina
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 Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return to Petition of Writ of Certiorari.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload and is for good cause.

Sincerely,

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S.C. Bar No: 100793

In compliance with:

In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

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