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

Re: Matthew J. Bryant v. State -- Appellate Case No. 2025-000966

Dear Ms. Howard:

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

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

Sincerely,

For Joshua A. Edwards
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 101188

JAE/ss

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