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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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

Re: Christopher J. Wells v. State
Appellate Case No. 2025-001566

Dear Ms. Howard:

The return to petition for writ of certiorari in the above-referenced case is due to be served and filed today. Because of my present workload, I respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension of this deadline. No prior extensions have been requested in this case.

On January 2, 2026, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through February 1, 2026.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Molly M Keegan
Appellate Defender

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cc: Zachary W. Jones, Esquire