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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
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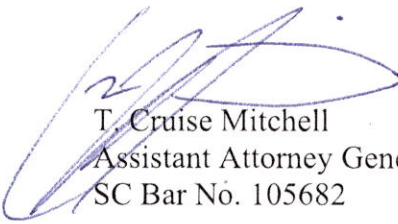
Re: Stephen T. Fincher v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No.: 2025-00124

Dear Ms. Howard,

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a second, thirty-day extension to serve and file this Return based on the heavy caseload of undersigned counsel.

If I can provide the Court with any additional information regarding this extension request, please let me know.

Sincerely,


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cc: David A. Alexander, Counsel for Petitioner (via e-mail only)