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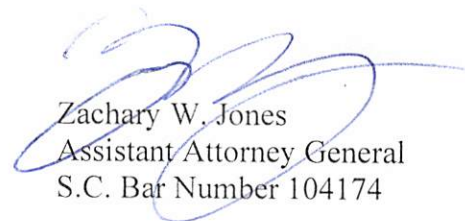
The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
The Supreme Court of South Carolina
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: The State v. Mathew Quinn Gillespie
Appellate Case No. 2025-000562

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced appeal are due to be served and filed on April 7, 2026. However, due to a heavy workload, I am requesting a thirty-day extension to serve and file these documents. This is the **first** extension request in this case, and it is not intended for the purpose of delay. I appreciate your consideration of this request and ask that the filing deadlines be held in abeyance while this request is pending.

Sincerely,



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