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

RE: The State v. Benjamin Allen Wemp – Appellate Case No. 2025-002334

Dear Ms. Howard:

This letter is to confirm our office received Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case and to advise you that I will be representing the State in this appeal. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this matter directly to me. The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced criminal appeal are due to be served and filed today. 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.

By copy of this letter, I am informing counsel for the Appellant of this extension request.

Sincerely,

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