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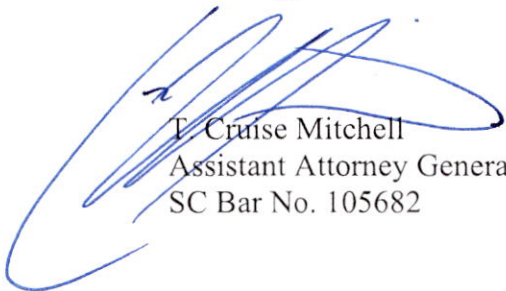
The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk of the South Carolina Supreme Court  
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**Re: Stephen T. Fincher v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No.: 2025-001249**

Dear Ms. Howard,

Enclosed please find the original Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned case, for filing in your office. If there is anything additional needed regarding this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

  
E. Cruise Mitchell  
Assistant Attorney General  
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Enclosure

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