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July 6, 2026

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

Re: Ricky Lee Blackwell, Sr. v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No: 2025-001377
Capital Case

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari is due to be served and filed today, July 6, 2026. Undersigned counsel hereby requests a 30-day extension in which to serve and file its Return. Due to counsel's heavy caseload, including addressing other capital matters in both state and federal court, counsel has been unable to complete the return.

I respectfully request this Court grant an extension until August 5, 2026, to serve and file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

Opposing counsel has graciously consented to this request.

Sincerely,

s/ Tommy Evans, Jr.

Tommy Evans, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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Counsel, please find attached the State's request for additional time to serve and file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above referenced appeal. The request will be electronically filed with the Supreme Court on today's date.

Sincerely,

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