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July 6, 2026

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

RE: Raeford D. Wideman v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No: 2025-002426

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today, July 6, 2026. Undersigned counsel hereby requests a 30-day extension to serve and file the Return. Due to counsel's caseload, counsel has been unable to complete the brief.

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 consented to all extension requests through August 1, 2026.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Zelenka
Deputy Attorney General

In compliance with:

In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

W. Jeffrey Young
Chief Deputy Attorney General

cc: W. Chandler Norville, Esquire (via email only)