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August 10, 2026

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

Re: Thomas Burkhardt v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2026-000841

Dear Ms. Howard:

The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the above-referenced case are due to be served and filed today. Because of my present workload, I respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension of this deadline. No prior extensions have been requested in this case.

Opposing counsel has graciously consented to all Appellate Defense extensions through September 1, 2026.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary H. Johnson
Appellate Defender

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cc: Zachary W. Jones, Esquire