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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from the Sumter County
Court of Common Pleas

Appellate Case No. 2026-000115

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA PETITIONER,

v.

BOBBY WAYNE STONERESPONDENT.

**RESPONDENT’S MOTION FOR SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RETURN
TO PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

Respondent, Bobby Wayne Stone through undersigned counsel, hereby requests an extension of time in which to file and serve his Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, currently due to be filed on August 12, 2026. Specifically, undersigned counsel requests an additional thirty (30) days in which to serve and file the Return, making the filing deadline September 11, 2026. In support of this motion, undersigned counsel would show:

1. On July 10, 2026, this Court granted Respondent’s first request for additional time, extending the deadline for filing his Return until August 12, 2026.
2. Since the Court granted the initial extension of time on July 10, 2026, undersigned counsel have worked diligently on this case. However, counsel’s other case load has interfered with their ability to complete the briefing in this case.
3. Specifically, undersigned counsel, Rosalind S.D. Major represents multiple death sentenced individuals and other incarcerated offenders whose cases have been very

active over the last month. Of note, Attorney Major has been conducting investigation for a federal habeas petition in *Lindey v. Anderson*, 2:26-cv-00560 (D.S.C.) and preparing for an evidentiary hearing in *Inmon v. State*, 2012-CP-39-00918, which is expected to take place in September.

4. Undersigned counsel Brianna L. Cruz has been serving as a mitigation investigator in a federal capital case, requiring substantial investigation trips over the last month, and has also been assisting Attorney Major in preparing for the evidentiary hearing in *Inmon v. State*.
5. Undersigned counsel sought consent to the above-requested extension of time from counsel for Respondent, who indicated they would not oppose an extension.

For the above reasons, which counsel believe constitute good cause under this Court's order dated March 18, 2009, undersigned counsel requests that this Court extend the deadline for filing the Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari an additional thirty days, to September 11, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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