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October 1, 2026

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

RE: State v. Ronald Lee Lyons – Appellate Case No. 2026-001132

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Brief of Respondent in the above-referenced criminal appeal is currently due to be served and filed on October 1, 2026. However, due to a heavy workload, I am requesting a five-day extension to serve and file this document in compliance with the mandates of this Court's July 16, 2014, order regarding extension requests. This is the first extension request in regard to the Brief of Respondent, and it is not intended for the purpose of delay.

I appreciate your consideration of this request and ask that you hold the filing time in abeyance during the time in which this request is pending. By copy of this letter, I am informing counsel for Petitioner of this request.

Sincerely,

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