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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk of the Supreme Court of South Carolina
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(via email only- supctfilings@sccourts.org)

Re: **Jaden I. Gary v. State of South Carolina**
Appellate Case No: 2026-001000

Dear Ms. Howard:

Respondent's Return Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a second, thirty-day extension to serve and file this Return based on the heavy caseload of undersigned counsel.

Please let me know if I can provide the Court with any additional information regarding this extension request.

Sincerely,

D. Russell Barlow, II
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General
SC Bar No. 105228

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cc: Molly M. Keegan, Counsel for Petitioner *(via email only)*