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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
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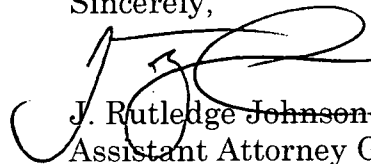
**RE: Derrick Blake v. State of South Carolina
2013-001196**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return for Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return for Petition of Writ of Certiorari.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload.

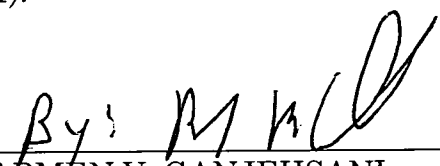
Sincerely,


J. Rutledge Johnson
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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).


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