

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable William P. Keesley, Circuit Court Judge

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S.C. Supreme Court

Case No. 2014-001426

Arthur R. Ladia, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

MOTION TO RELAX RULE 243(g), SCACR, AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO SERVE AND FILE
RESPONDENT'S RETURN TO PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

COMES NOW the Respondent above named, by and through the undersigned counsel, making its motion to Relax Rules 243(g), SCACR, and Final Motion for Extension of time to serve and file Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, would show unto this Court:

I.

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned matter was due to be filed and served on May 26, 2015. Inadvertently, the due date for this matter was improperly calendared and the Return was not submitted. Additionally, Respondent was required to prepare for nineteen (19) cases for a special term of court scheduled by the Honorable William P. Keesley for May 27th and 28th with only a two week notice, and not for the purpose of delay, the Respondent had intended to respectfully request a final thirty day extension of time to prepare

the State's Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Accordingly, the Respondent respectfully requests the Court to grant the Motion for Extension of time.

II.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that this Court relax Rules 243(g), SCACR, and allow the Respondent a **final thirty day** extension of time to file the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this Motion be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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RE: Arthur R. Ladia v. State of South Carolina
Lower Court Case No: 2013-CP-32-2101
Appellate Case No. 2014-001426

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Enclosed for filing are the original and six (6) copies of the **Motion to Relax Rule 243(g)** in the above-referenced case. By copy of this letter we are serving opposing counsel today.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: John H. Strom, Esquire