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December 14, 2015

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk of Court  
Supreme Court of South Carolina  
P.O. Box 11330  
Columbia, SC 29211-1330

RE: **Andrew Ballard v. Tim Roberson et al.**  
**Civil Action No.: 2008-CP-23-05739**  
**Appellate Case Number: 2015-002036**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

We received the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this matter, which was served December 9, 2015. We represent the Respondent and understand that the return to Appellants' Petition is due by Friday, January 8, 2016. Respondent respectfully requests a twenty (20) day extension of time, until Thursday, January 28, 2016, in which to file his return.

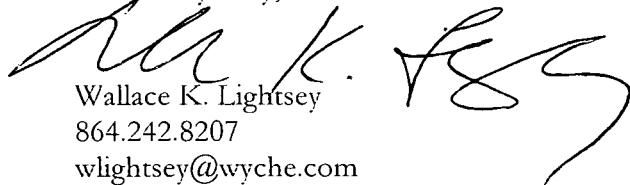
The reason for this request is that I underwent back surgery last week and am in the midst of a multi-week recovery period. Because of this and the upcoming holidays, it would be a hardship for me to have to prepare and file our return to the petition by January 8, and I am Respondent's lead counsel. No previous extension has been sought by Respondent.

Enclosed are six (6) copies of this letter request and our check for twenty five dollars (\$25.00) in payment of the Court's motion fee.

We have discussed this request with Appellants' counsel and they have consented to the requested extension. By copy of this letter, I am this day serving our request on counsel for Appellants.

Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours very truly,

  
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