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APPEAL FROM UNION COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

John C. Hayes, III, Circuit Court Judge

The State of South Carolina,.....Respondent,

v.

Stephen Douglas Berry,.....Petitioner.

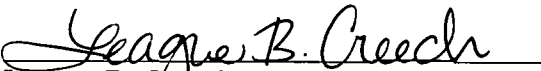
**PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE AND SERVE THE  
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

The Court of Appeals denied Mr. Berry's Petition for Rehearing and Suggestion for Rehearing *En Banc* on November 20, 2015. Pursuant to Rule 242(c), SCACR, the Petition for Writ of Certiorari is due to be served on opposing counsel and filed on or before Monday, December 21, 2015.

On behalf of Mr. Berry, the undersigned respectfully requests an extension of time of an additional twenty (20) days to serve the Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Mr. Berry requests this additional time due to the immediate case demands and schedule of counsel for Mr. Berry, as well as the complexity in nature of the issues raised in the Opinion of which Petitioner seeks review. This is the first request for an extension by Petitioner with regard to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Furthermore, this will be the only request for an extension by Petitioner with regard to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

Therefore, the Petitioner respectfully requests an extension of twenty (20) days, making the Petition for Writ of Certiorari due for service no later than Monday, January 11, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

This it to certify that I, *League B. Creech*, with the Law Firm of PETERS, MURDAUGH, PARKER, ELTZROTH & DETRICK, P.A., Attorneys for the Petitioner, have this date mailed via the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the within *Motion for Extension of Time to File and Serve the Petition for Writ of Certiorari* to the following:

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