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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Walter Chase Alley, #354190 v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No.: 2015-000438
Lower Court Case No. : 2013-CP-04-01391

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

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

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but is necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

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cc: John H. Strom, Appellate Defense