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**SC SUPREME COURT**


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


**RE: Tra'Vaughn La'Roi Thomas v. State**  
**Appellate Case No. 2014-001870**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

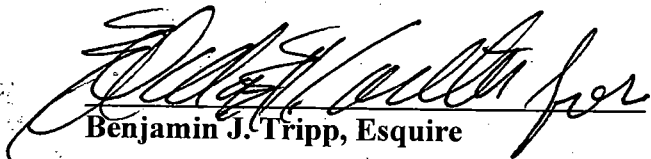
The Brief of Respondent in the aforementioned matter is due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a third and final 30-day extension in which to serve and file the Brief. This request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this request is necessitated by my workload. In the past month, I have filed a return to petition for writ of certiorari to the court of appeals in Edward Whitner v. State, a return to petition for writ of certiorari in Marques Hudson v. State, and a return to petition for writ of certiorari in Antonio Trimmier v. State. I also prepared for, and represented the State at, a term of post-conviction relief court in the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit and drafted more than a dozen proposed orders thereafter. Opposing counsel indicates consent by the signature below.

Sincerely,

  
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S.C. Bar # 68331

  
For Johanna C. Valenzuela  
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

**I CONSENT:**

  
Benjamin J. Tripp, Esquire