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

Re: **Octavia Middleton, #253919 v. State of South Carolina**
Appellate Case No.: 2015-001080
Lower Court Case No.: 2014-CP-40-03607

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The **Return to 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,

J. Clayton Mitchell
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar #101443

JCM/jcb

cc: Katherine H. Hudgins, Esquire