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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk of Court
The South Carolina Court of Appeals
1220 Senate Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: The State, Respondent v. Mario Hernandez, Appellant
Appellate Case No. 2014-002376
Our File No. 38769.01529

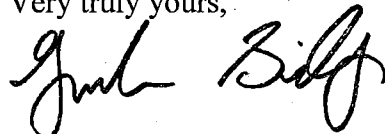
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Appellant respectfully requests a ten (10) day extension to file his initial reply brief in the above matter. This is the first request for an extension of time by Appellant. Based on our calculations, the current due date is April 7, 2016, per Rule 263, SCACR. With the 10 day extension, the new deadline would be April 18, 2016.

The grounds for this motion are undersigned counsel's travel commitments and other work obligations that preclude completion of the reply brief within the current deadline. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$25.00 as the required filing fee. I ask the Court hold the current deadline in abeyance pending resolution of this request. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

With kind regards, I remain

Very truly yours,



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