

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Supreme Court

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**SC SUPREME COURT**

APPEAL FROM YORK COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Alison Renee Lee, Circuit Court Judge

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Appellate Case No. 2015-001713

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JEROME WATSON,

PETITIONER,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

**PETITION TO RELAX RULE 243(F)  
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

COMES NOW, Respondent, above named, by and through the undersigned counsel, making its Petition to Relax Rule 243(g) and Request for Extension, and would show unto this Court:

I.

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned matter was due to be filed and served on May 14, 2016. Inadvertently, the due date for this matter was never properly calendared and the Return was not submitted. Not for the purpose of delay, the Respondent had intended to respectfully request a thirty day extension of time to prepare the

State's Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Accordingly, the Respondent respectfully requests the Court to grant the Motion for Extension of Time.

II.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this petition be granted.


Respectfully submitted,

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April 20, 2016

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to York County

The Honorable Alison Renee Lee, Circuit Court Judge

JEROME WATSON, #317794

Petitioner,

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Respondent.

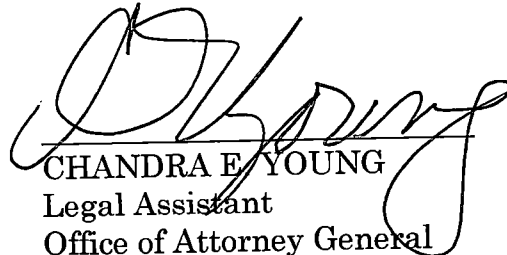
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I, CHANDRA E. YOUNG, certify that I have served the Petition to Relax Rule 243 (f) and Request for Extension on opposing counsel by depositing two copies of the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Wanda H. Carter, Esquire  
1330 Lady St., Ste 401  
Columbia SC 29201

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.



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

**RE: Jerome Watson v. State of South Carolina**  
**2015-001713**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am enclosing the original and six (6) copies of the Petition to Relax Rule 243 (f) and Request for Extension in the above case.

Sincerely,

Justin J. Hunter  
Assistant Attorney General

JJH:cey  
Enclosures

cc: Wanda H. Carter, Esquire  
Trisha Allen, Victim Services