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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
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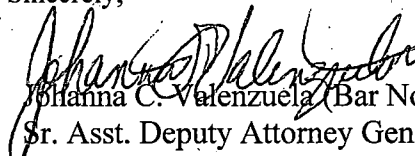
**Re: Timothy E. Bookert, Respondent, v. South Carolina Department of Mental Health and South Carolina Treasurer's Office, Appellants**  
**Appellate Case No: 2016-000667**  
**Lower Court Case No: 2013-CP-40-02443**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Initial Brief of Appellants in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on May 25, 2016. We would respectfully request a 30-day extension to June 24, 2016, in which to serve and file this Brief.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Opposing counsel, Bobby Kneece, Esq., has consented to this extension, and opposing counsel are courtesy copied on this request.

Sincerely,

  
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