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

S.C. Supreme Court

Re: State v. Arthur Lee Rivers; 2008-GS-10-7788, 7795, 7796.

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am retained counsel for this client for the perfection of his appeal. This is an appeal of the decision of the SC Court of Appeals in this direct appeal. My Reply to the State's Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari is due on today's date. I have not yet determined for certain that a Reply will be necessary. I am currently preparing a murder case for trial in Richland County the week of November 13, 2012. I also have three Post-Conviction Relief hearings scheduled for next week. For these reasons I respectfully request a 10-day extension of time in which to prepare and submit my Reply to the State's Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari on behalf of this client.

There have been no previous extension requests in this matter. By copy of this letter, I am advising opposing counsel, David Spencer, Assistant Attorney General, of this request. With my thanks for the Court's kind assistance in this matter, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara Dawn Shurling".

Tara Dawn Shurling
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cc: David Spencer, Assistant Attorney General
Arthur Lee Rivers, 254993