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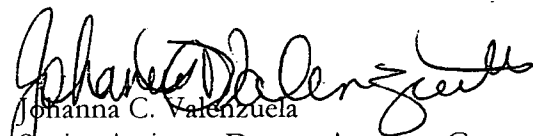
The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**RE: Robert L. Johnson v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No.: 2015-001597**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed today. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return. This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload and is for good cause.

Sincerely,


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I CONSENT:


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