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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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Re: Thomas J. Torrence # 094651, Respondent, v. South Carolina
Department of Corrections, Appellant
Appellate Case No. 2016-000285

Dear Clerk:

This letter is a formal request for an extension of time of seven (7) days, up to and including August 24, 2016. This Court has previously granted two (2) extensions, the most recent until August 17, 2016. In that July 25, 2016 Order this Court stated, "No further extensions will be granted absent extraordinary circumstances."

Respondent submits "extraordinary circumstances" exist where the institutional law library has only been opened one (1) day in the past fourteen days. Thus, Respondent is in a limbo beyond his control. The institution has been "locked down" several days due to administrative "short of staff" and unable to provide security to open the law library. Respondent suggests the extraordinary circumstances of staff shortage may be verified by calling the institution.

Therefore, Respondent begs this Court for an extension of seven (7) days, up to August 24, 2016 in which to file his Initial Brief and designation. At that time if the law library is not operational, Respondent will submit his handwritten brief.

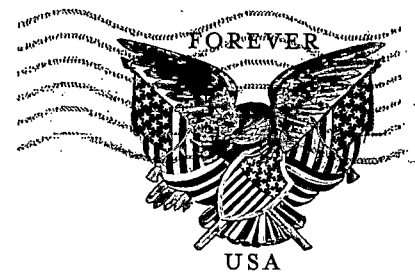
Respectfully submitted,
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