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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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

Re: David Dwight Smith v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-000262
Lower Court Case No. 2011-CP-42-1283

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. 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.

Sincerely,

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cc: Laura Baer, Esquire