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S.C. SUPREME COURT

ALAN WILSON
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December 21, 2016

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

Re: Michael Elders v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-000242
Lower Court Case No. 2014-CP-32-4072

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to 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. By her signature below, LaNelle C. DuRant, indicates that she consents to this extension.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload.

Sincerely,

Johanna C. Valenzuela
Sr. Asst. Deputy Attorney General
S.C. Bar No. 79834

JCV/dgr

cc: LaNelle C. DuRant, Esquire

In compliance with:

In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

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