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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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


**RE: Alfonso Staton v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2015-000460**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to the 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 in which to serve and file my return.

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

Sincerely,


for Johanna C. Valenzuela
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

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cc: Tristan M. Shaffer, Esquire