

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Supreme Court

CERTIORARI TO YORK COUNTY

The Honorable Alison Lee, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No.: 2016-001346

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Eric Antonia Spratt,

Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

**PETITION TO RELAX RULE 243(F)
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

COMES NOW, Respondent, above named, by and through the undersigned counsel, making its Petition to Relax Rule 243(g) and Request for Extension, and would show unto this Court:

I.

Respondent's Brief of Respondent in the above-captioned matter was due to be filed and served on April 24, 2017. Inadvertently, the due date for this matter was never properly calendared and the Return was not submitted. Not for the purpose of delay, the Respondent had intended to respectfully request a thirty day extension of time to prepare the State's Return to

Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Accordingly, the Respondent respectfully requests the Court to grant the Motion for Extension of Time.

II.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this motion be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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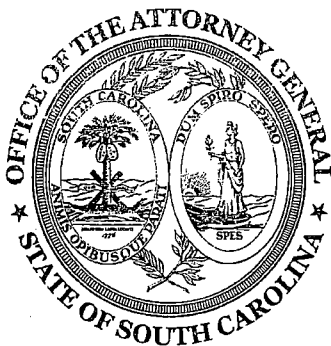
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Re: Eric A. Spratt v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-001346
Lower Court Case No. 2014-CP-46-00952

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal was due to be served and filed on April 24, 2017. However, Due to an oversight I respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return out of time.

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

Sincerely,

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JJH/dgr

cc: John H. Strom, Esquire