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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
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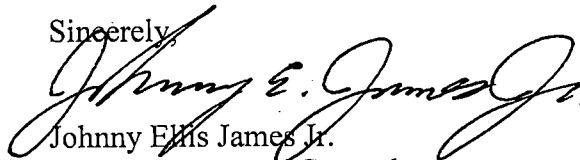
**Re: Michael Tompai, #335763 v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2016-001820**  
**Lower Court Case No. 2015-CP-26-3502**

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.

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

Sincerely,



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Assistant Attorney General  
SC Bar No. 101260

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cc: Susan B. Hackett, Esquire