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S.C. SUPREME COURT

June 8, 2017

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk of Court - SC Supreme Court  
Post Office Box 11330  
Columbia SC 29211

**Re: Eric Darien v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No.: 2016-001685**  
**Lower Court Case: 2013-CP-27-0111**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the aforementioned matter is due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a 30-day extension in which to serve and file the Petition. This request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this request is necessitated by my workload.

Sincerely,

Ruston W. Neely  
Assistant Attorney General  
S.C. Bar No: 100192

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cc: Susan B. Hackett, Esquire