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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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July 26, 2017

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

Re: Lucius Simuel v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-001607
Lower Court Case No. 2013-CP-07-0287

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, I respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return. By the signature below, the Office Appellate Defense 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,

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S.C. Bar No. 100192

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cc: John H. Strom, 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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