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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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

RE: Oscar Fortune v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-002231
Motion for amendment of petition for writ of certiorari and response

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Fortune in which he apprised the Court of his desire to retain the service of the Office of Appellate Defense and Ms. Carter. Pursuant to the order the Court issued on August 18, 2017, it is my understanding that the next step in this appeal is for the Court to rule on Ms. Carter's motion to amend her petition for writ of certiorari on behalf of Mr. Fortune. It is my further understanding that all of these actions will toll the due date on my return to the petition for writ of certiorari, which was previously due on Monday, September 11, 2017.

If I am incorrect in my understanding of the status of this case, I ask that you please correct me. Otherwise, I will await a ruling on Ms. Carter's motion to amend before filing any responsive pleadings. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (803) 734-3737.

Sincerely,

Jessica E. Kinard
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Wanda H. Carter, Esquire