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S.G. SUPREME COURT

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

Re: Eugene Thomas v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2016-002304
Lower Court Case No. 2015-CP-23-2998

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The **Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari** in the above appeal 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 extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but is necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

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SC Bar #101813

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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