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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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

**Re: Alfred Bernard Bluford v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2016-000481**  
**Lower Court Case No. 2014-CP-23-2562**

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,

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Assistant Attorney General  
SC Bar #101813

cc: Laura R. Baer, Esquire