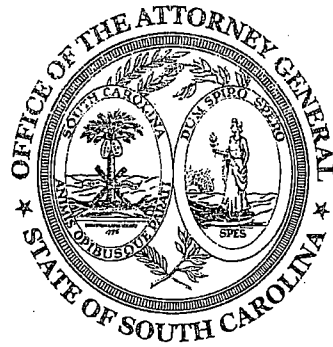


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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
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Post Office Box 11629  
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**Re: The State v. Gabriel Betancourt**  
**Appellate Case No: 2017-001016**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in the above appeal are due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a 30-day extension in which to serve and file the brief and designation. This is my first request for an extension in this matter.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but is necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

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