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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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February 16, 2018

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

Re: Willie Bell, Jr. #254817 v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2017-001595
Lower Court Case No. 2009-CP-38-1261

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal was due to be served and filed on February 16, 2018. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload.

Sincerely,

Christian Daville for

J. Clayton Mitchell
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 101443

JCM/trb

cc: Tricia A. Blanchette, Esquire