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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: James Nicholas Starnes v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No.: 2017-001259
Lower Court Case: 2016-CP-29-0373

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 second 30-day extension in which to serve and file the Return. This request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this request is necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar #101813

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cc: Susan B. Hackett, Esquire