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

**Re: Mitchell Rivers v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2017-002302**  
**Lower Court Case No. 2015-CP-13-0108**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The **Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari** in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, I must 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 my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

Johnny Ellis James Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General  
SC Bar No. 101260

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cc: Taylor D. Gilliam, Esquire