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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Supreme Court
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Re: Tara Dawn Shurling v. John Daniel Springer, #294365
Supreme Court Case No. 2018-001814

S.C. SUPREME COURT

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I have a Certiorari Petition due in the above captioned case today. Unfortunately, the deadline for this filing has already been extended twenty (20) days. At the time it was originally due, I was tied up with a complex PCR in a murder case in Dorchester County. This week I have a PCR in a manslaughter/murder PCR case in Aiken County scheduled for Wednesday. I had planned to complete this Certiorari Petition over the weekend, but have been very sick. As I write this letter it is 5:08 pm, and I am in Spartanburg completing my preparations for the hearing in Aiken Wednesday. Trial Counsel in that matter has his home office in Spartanburg, and I had to come here today to go over that case in advance of Wednesday's hearing.

As little while ago I called, Deputy Clerk, Brenda Shealy to advise her that, despite my desire to complete this Certiorari Petition this evening, I honestly think I am too sick to do so, especially after completing the drive back to Columbia from Spartanburg. I will see what time I get back, and how I feel, but judging from my high fever at the moment I doubt it will be possible. I have a very bad cough which I am afraid has drained me of all my reserves.

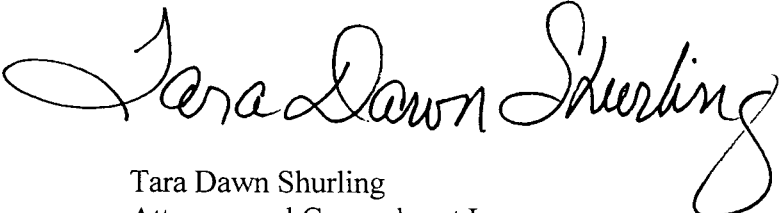
To complicate matters, I have a very complex PCR in a Homicide by Child Abuse case next week in Lexington. I am currently scheduled to meet with my expert witness, Dr. Donna Maddox, Thursday evening and with that Client and Dr. Maddox Friday morning. Those meetings were originally scheduled for last week and had to be moved to this week after Dr. Maddox was delayed by the airline returning from Texas where she was an expert in another case. Despite being very ill, I intend to keep those meetings if humanly possible to avoid needing to continue that PCR hearing.

For the above reasons, I am in all likelihood not going to be able to complete the Certiorari Petition in this matter tonight. Due to these problems, I am asking the Court to take the unusual step of granting me a few additional days to file for Certiorari in this matter. I am asking the Court to please give me an additional week and allow me to file this Certiorari Petition on Monday, November 5, 2018. I would ask for a shorter time period, but given my commitments in the other case scheduled for next Thursday in Aiken, it would not be possible

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for me to meet an earlier deadline. I will be most grateful for the Court's consideration in this matter. Please let me know if the Court requires any further information from me. Thank you for your time on reviewing this emergency request. I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tara Dawn Shurling". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, decorative flourish at the end of the name.

Tara Dawn Shurling
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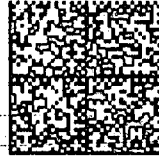
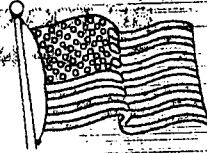
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cc: The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings, Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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