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December 13, 2018

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

Re: Michael D. Watson v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2018-000486
Lower Court Case No. 2014-CP-41-00144

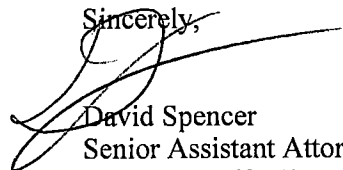
Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension to serve and file this Return. By her signature below, LaNelle C. DuRant, indicates that she consents to this third extension.

Please be advised that I will be representing the State in the above-referenced appeal. Please substitute me as counsel of record and forward all future correspondence regarding this matter to me

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

Sincerely,

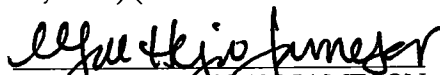

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cc: LaNelle C. DuRant, Esquire

In compliance with:

In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).


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 for:
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Appellate Defender