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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk of Court — SC Supreme Court  
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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

**Re: Dominique J. Shumate v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2018-000963**  
**Lower Court Case 2016-CP-23-3653**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this case is due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a 30-day extension in which to serve and file the Petition. This request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but is instead necessitated by my heavy workload.

Sincerely,

William M. Blich  
Assistant Attorney General  
SC Bar #15608

cc: Victor R. Seeger, Esquire