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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Supreme Court of South Carolina
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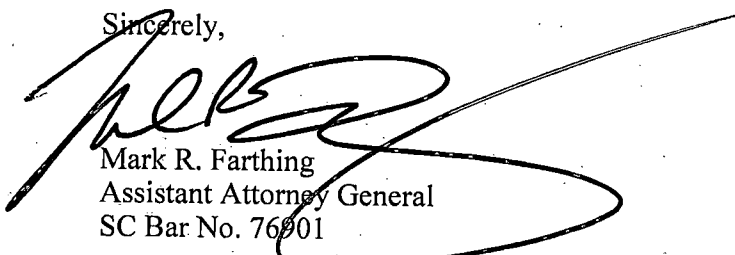
Re: Joshua Reed v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2018-000555
Lower Court Case No. 2016-CP-16-0767

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.

Also, please substitute undersigned counsel as counsel of record for the State in the above-listed post-conviction relief appeal pending before the Court and remove Johnny E. James Jr., Esquire as counsel of record for the State. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this case directly to my attention. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,


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SC Bar No. 76801

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cc: Joanna K. Delany, Esquire