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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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

Re: Vernard Jerome Mathis v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2018-000779
Lower Court Case No. 2013-CP-29-051

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 first thirty-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 a heavy workload.

Sincerely,

Samuel L. Key
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 103206

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cc: Tara Dawn Shurling, Esquire