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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 second 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,

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Assistant Attorney General  
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cc: Tara Dawn Shurling, Esquire