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November 13, 2019

**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
The South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
Post Office Box 11629 (29211)  
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: *W. Clark Jernigan, M.D. v. St. Francis Physician Services, Inc.*  
Appellate Case No. 2019-001415

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

This law firm represents the Appellant, St. Francis Physician Services, Inc., in the above-referenced appeal. Please allow this letter to serve as notice that the undersigned counsel seeks a second 30-day extension to file Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter.

Appellant served and filed a Notice of Appeal on August 23, 2019. Appellant requested an extension of time to file its Initial Brief and Designation of Matter, which the Court granted on September 5, setting the new deadline for October 23. In the interim, Respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss Appeal and for Costs, which the Court ultimately denied on November 7. The Court's November 7 Order set the new deadline to file Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter for December 9.

Appellant now respectfully requests, with the consent of opposing counsel, that the Court grant a second 30-day extension, making the new deadline **January 8, 2020**. With the intervening Thanksgiving holidays falling shortly before the current deadline, Appellant's counsel requires additional time to fully prepare the required filings.

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$50.00. Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nikole Setzler Mergo".

Nikole Setzler Mergo

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Enclosures

cc: Henry L. Parr, Jr., Esquire (via Hand Delivery)

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