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December 12, 2019

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

Re: James A. Gardner v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No.: 2019-000192
Lower Court Case No.: 2017-CP-25-0006

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 respectfully request a first 30-day extension to serve and file this Return from today's date. 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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