

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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APPEAL FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY  
The Honorable William P. Keesley, Circuit Court Judge

S.C. SUPREME COURT

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Lower Court Case No. 2010-CP-32-05076  
Appellate Case No. 2019-001104

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RON O'NEAL FINKLEA, SK6025,

RESPONDENT,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

PETITIONER.

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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE  
RESPONDENT'S RETURN TO THE STATE'S PETITION FOR  
WRIT OF CERTIORARI


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Counsel for respondent, Ron Finklea, respectfully request an additional 21 days (until January 8, 2020) in which to file his return (currently due on December 27, 2019) to the state's petition for writ of certiorari, pursuant to the order of the Supreme Court of South Carolina dated March 18, 2009 ([www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2009-03-18:-01](http://www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2009-03-18:-01)). Counsel previously filed one request for an additional 30 days, which this Court granted. Additional time is necessary because the respondent became aware, during the process of entering appendix record citations in preparation for early filing of his return, that the petitioner inadvertently omitted 19 of respondent's PCR hearing exhibits when compiling the original appendix. The Christmas holidays will make it very difficult to file the return on December 27, 2019, in light of the appendix omissions. It is respondent's understanding that counsel for the

petitioner are working to remedy the omission and will seek to file a second supplemental appendix, by consent.

WHEREFORE, counsel for respondent requests an additional 21 days (until January 8, 2020) in which to file his return to the state's petition for writ of certiorari in this death penalty case.

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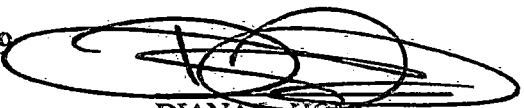
THE STATE,

PETITIONER .

**Certificate of Service**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of Mr. Finklea's Supplemental Motion for an Extension of time in which to file his return to the state's petition for writ of certiorari the above-referenced matter has been served upon opposing counsel, by depositing same in the U. S. Mail, postage paid, this 18th day of December, 2019, addressed as follows:

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