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January 22, 2020

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of South Carolina
P.O. Box 11330
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Re: *Teresa B. Yates, individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Gerald W. Yates v. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and Jane A. Yates*
C.A. No.: 4:19-CV-00372-SAL
Appellate Case No. 2019-001264

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

This firm represents the Defendant, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in the above matter. MetLife's Response to Plaintiff's Brief on Certified Question is currently due on January 24, 2020. Due to the pending settlement of the underlying case in the United States District Court from which the Certified Questions was submitted, I respectfully request a 30 day extension of time in which to file our Brief making it due on February 24, 2020. The District Court has been notified of the settlement and it would be anticipated that the District Court would withdraw the Certified Question. Counsel for the Plaintiff has graciously consented to this request. I am enclosing a check for the filing fee of \$50.00. Please note service on counsel of record by copy of this letter. In the meantime, we ask that the current filing deadline be stayed pending resolution of this request.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

HAYNSWORTH SINKLER BOYD, P.A.



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Enclosure

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