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January 30, 2020

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

Re: Stephen Corey Bryant v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2019-000610
Capital PCR Action

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari of Respondent/Petitioner in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. This letter is to request a thirty (30) day extension to file the Return in the above referenced matter.

I am requesting this extension due to my heavy workload. In particular, and in addition to other duties and obligations, I prepared for and presented argument in this Court on January 14, 2020, filed a Brief of Petitioner in this Court on January 15, 2020, and prepared for and attended the PCR hearing in the capital case of Winkler v. State on January 29, 2020. As such, I have not been able to complete the Return and would respectfully request a thirty (30) day extension in this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: E. Charles Grose, Jr., Esquire