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**SC Court of Appeals**

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**Re: Randal William Benton v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No.: 2017-002021**  
**Lower Court Case No.: 2014-CP-18-01001**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Brief of Respondent 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 Brief 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,

s/ Sara Gunton

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