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In The Supreme Court

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APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
William H. Seals, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

S.C. SUPREME COURT

Appellate Case No. 2019-000610

Stephen Corey Bryant,Petitioner-Respondent,

v.

State of South Carolina,Respondent-Petitioner.

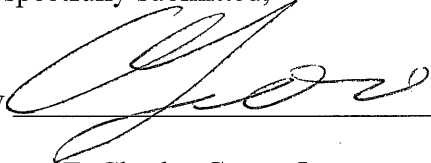
**Petition to Extend Time to File Reply to
State's Return to Mr. Bryan's Cross-Petition for Writ of *Certiorari***

This capital post-conviction relief case is before this Court on cross-petitions for writs of *certiorari*. On May 5, 2020, the State filed its Response to Mr. Bryant's petition for a writ of *certiorari*. By written order dated May 15, 2020, this Court extended the time to file a reply until Monday, May 25, 2020, which was Memorial Day. By written order dated May 26, 2020, this Court extended the deadline until today, June 5, 2020. Mr. Bryant moves this Court for an order extending the time to file a reply to the State's Response by and additional ten days until Monday, June 15, 2020. This is the third request for an extension of time to file this pleading. This request is based on counsel's other professional obligations and is not intended for delay. Earlier this week, counsel filed reply to the State's return to a common law petition for writ of *certiorari* in *State v. Fortune*, Lower Court Case No. 2002-GS-13-00137. Counsel is working on the petition for rehearing in

State v. Durant, Appellate Case No. 2016-001264, which is due on Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

IT IS SO MOVED.

Respectfully submitted,

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