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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Supreme Court of South Carolina
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(By *Electronic Filing Only*)

Re: Stephen D. Berry v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2019-001092

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Respondent's return to the petition for writ of certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, I respectfully request a third thirty-day extension to serve and file this return. This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay, but rather, is necessitated by my heavy workload. Opposing counsel has consented pursuant to an agency agreement.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Davidson
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 104114

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cc: Adam S. Ruffin, Esquire (by email only)

In compliance with: *In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases*, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

s/ Megan Harrigan Jameson
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Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General