



ALAN WILSON
ATTORNEY GENERAL

PCR DIVISION: 803.734.3737
PCR FACSIMILE: 803.734.4113

March 14, 2013

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

RECEIVED

MAR 14 2013

S.C. Supreme Court

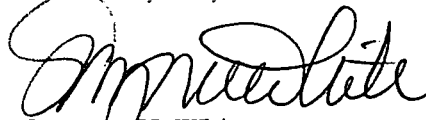
**RE: Gary Michael Piper v. State of South Carolina
2010-CP-42-4481
Appellate Case No. 2012-212410**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above appeal is due to be served and filed on today's date. However, this is to respectfully request a 30-day extension in which to serve and file this return.

This extension request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this extension request is necessitated by a heavy workload.

Yours very truly,


Suzanne H. White
Assistant Attorney General

SHW/aam

cc: Breen R. Stevens, Esquire