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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court
South Carolina Supreme Court
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S.C. Supreme Court

RE: William G. Harden v. State
2010-CP-23-1209
Appellate Case No. 2011-192811

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the aforementioned matter is due to be served and filed today. I would respectfully request a second 30-day extension in which to serve and file the Return. This request is not intended for the purpose of delay. Rather, this request is necessitated by my workload. In the past six weeks, I have filed a return to petition for writ of certiorari in John L. Mills v. State, a return to petition for writ of certiorari in Ricky Gilstrap v. State, and an initial brief and designation of matter in Allen Capers v. State. In addition, I prepared for and represented the State at a term of post-conviction relief court in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, drafted numerous pleadings and proposed orders, and am filing a return to petition for writ of certiorari in William J. Simun v. State with the Court today.

Sincerely,

Karen C. Ratigan
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

cc: Wanda H. Carter, Esquire