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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: Gary Wayne Thomas v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2020-000440

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal was due to be served and filed Monday, December 21, 2020. I am respectfully requesting a second 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 a heavy workload.

Sincerely,

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cc: Wanda H. Carter, Esquire (by email only)