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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
Clerk of Court, S.C. Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**RE: Buddy Newsome, # 220855, v. South Carolina Department of Corrections**  
**Appellate Case No. 2020-001512**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Respondent's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter are due to served and filed today, January 20, 2021. The Respondent is hereby respectfully requesting a thirty (30) day extension of time in which to file the Initial Brief and Designation of Matter. This request is not being made for purposes of delay, but is being made to ensure the brief is properly researched and prepared.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should there be any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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