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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court  
Post Office Box 11330  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: State v. Robert Lee Miller, III – Appellate Case # 2021-000985

Dear Ms. Howard:

The Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced criminal appeal is due to be served and filed on October 18, 2021. However, due to a heavy workload, I am requesting a **five-day** extension to file the return in compliance with the mandates of this Court's July 16, 2014, order regarding extension requests. This is the second five-day extension request in regard to the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, and it is not intended for the purpose of delay.

I appreciate your consideration of this request and ask that you hold the filing time in abeyance during the time in which this request is pending. By copy of this letter, I am informing counsel for Petitioner of this request.

Sincerely,

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Senior Assistant Attorney General  
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cc: Susan B. Hackett, Esq.  
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