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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Supreme Court  
Post Office Box 11330  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211  
*(Via Electronic Filing System Only)*

**Re: Bruce Houser v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No.: 2021-000673**

Dear Ms. Howard:

Attached for filing please find the State's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal. Counsel for Petitioner is being served by copy of this letter via email.

Please let me know if anything additional is needed at this time.

Sincerely,

*s/ Samantha J. Weidauer*

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