

February 12, 2018

**VIA Overnight Delivery**

Scott S. Harris  
Clerk of the Court  
Supreme Court of the United States  
1 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543-0001

Re: Case No. 17-1086 *Grede v. FCStone, LLC*  
Application to Extend Time to File Brief in Opposition to  
Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Certiorari

Dear Mr. Harris,

I represent the Respondent FCStone, LLC in the above-captioned case and will act as counsel of record for the Respondent before this Court.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 15.3 and 30.4, I respectfully request that Respondent's time for filing its brief in opposition to Petitioner's petition for writ of certiorari be extended by 15 days.

While my client has no desire to delay the Court, I have a three-day evidentiary hearing starting on March 5, the day Respondent's brief in opposition is due. I will be out of town for nearly a week during the month of February, and then will be on vacation immediately following the March 5 hearing for five days. Furthermore, in addition to everyday work demands, I anticipate having two medical procedures done before the current due date, including a surgery. Under these circumstances, I believe that a 15-day extension is reasonable.

For these reasons, I respectfully pray that the Court grant Respondent a 15-day extension to file its brief in opposition to Petitioner's petition for writ of certiorari.

Sincerely yours,



Stephen P. Bedell

cc: Catherine L. Steege, Esq.