



**U.S. Department of Justice
Office of the Solicitor General**

Washington, D.C. 20530
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Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: John C. Parkinson v. Department of Justice,
S.Ct No. 17-1098

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on January 24, 2018, and placed on the docket on February 6, 2018. The government's response is due on March 8, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including April 9, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

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