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

Re: State of Arizona v. Jasper Phillip Rushing, No. 17-1449

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing to request an extension of time for Jasper Phillip Rushing to respond to the petition for certiorari filed by the State of Arizona in this capital case. The brief in opposition to certiorari is presently due on May 21, 2018. I request an extension of time through and including June 20, 2018, to file this brief.

The reason for this request is that I am a solo practitioner and have never had occasion to file a brief in opposition to a petition for certiorari filed by the State. I was unable to begin working on this brief until April 26, 2018, because I had a petition for review due in the Arizona Supreme Court on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April in the case of *State v. Daniel Felton*, No. CR 18-0134-PR. Now I realize that for me to represent my client in a competent manner in this Court, I need to consult with attorneys who are more experienced in drafting briefs in opposition, especially in capital cases, which will require additional time.

I have consulted with Ginger Jarvis, Esq., counsel for the State, and she has informed me that her office would oppose this request because if the brief in opposition is filed on or about June 20, 2018, as requested, the Court would not consider this matter during the current Term. However, it should

be noted in this context that had this Court granted Ms. Jarvis' original request for a 60-day extension, her petition for certiorari would have been due on May 15, 2018, and respondent's brief in opposition would not have been due until June 14. As it happened, the Court granted the State of Arizona only a 30-day extension. The respondent seeks no more additional time than the State obtained.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Very truly yours,

Sharmila Roy Sharmila Roy

Counsel for Mr. Rushing

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Sharmila Roy, hereby certify that on May 8, 2018, I served the respondent's request for an extension of time to file the brief in opposition to petition for certiorari, by first-class mail and e-mail, to the following address:

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Executed May 8, 2018, at Phoenix, Arizona.

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