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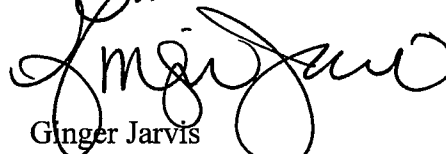
Re: *Arizona v. Rushing*, No. 17-1449

Dear Mr. Harris,

I write in response to Respondent Jasper Rushing's request for a 30-day extension of time within which to file a brief in opposition to the State of Arizona's Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

While Respondent's counsel accurately communicates Arizona's opposition to the extension, she omits the reason that the State previously sought a 60-day extension. This letter clarifies that the never-granted 60-day request was to allow Arizona to respond to a cross-petition for certiorari that Respondent indicated he intended to file. When Respondent elected not to file a petition (a fact unknown at the time of the 60-day request), the State no longer required 60 days and would have filed its petition for certiorari within 30 days, precisely to enable consideration before the Court adjourns for the summer. The State does not request extensions lightly. Arizona and federal law require prompt and final resolution for victims. For those reasons, the State opposes further extension that will inevitably prevent the Court from considering the petition this Term.

Sincerely,



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cc: Sharmila Roy