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Office of the Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20543

Attn: Scott S. Harris, Clerk

Re: *Randy Lee, Warden v. Jason Clinard*, Case No. 17-1627

Dear Mr. Harris:

Please allow this letter to serve as a request by the respondent, Jason Clinard, pursuant to Sup. Cr. Tr. 30.4, for a 30-day extension of time in which to file a brief in opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari in the above-styled case. The opposing brief is due for filing by July 2, 2018, and if this request were granted the brief would be due August 1, 2018. Undersigned counsel has contacted opposing counsel about this request, and she does not oppose it.

The respondent is confined and serving a life sentence. While undersigned counsel has reviewed the petitioner's pleading and has done some preliminary research, counsel cannot presently dedicate the time necessary to the task due to a heavy appellate work load and a jury trial set in July. Consequently, counsel needs an extension to provide an adequate product that will protect the respondent's interests and will be useful to the Court. The respondent respectfully requests that he be allowed until August 1, 2018, to file his brief in opposition.

Sincerely,

s/ Michael C. Holley
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