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Washington, D.C. 20530

November 27, 2017

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

> Re: <u>Xavier Jones</u> v. <u>United States</u>, No. 17-6140

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed September 25, 2017, and placed on the docket on September 27, 2017. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on November 27, 2017. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including December 27, 2017, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for final preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the Court.

Counsel for petitioner does not object to this further extension of time.

Sincerely,

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