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

Re: Jordan v. Tennessee, No. 17-6781

Dear Mr. Harris:

Please allow this letter to serve as the State of Tennessee's application pursuant to Sup. Ct. R. 30 for a ten (10) day extension of time within which to file its brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in this matter. The brief is presently due on December 14, 2017. This is the State's first request for an extension of time.

This is a capital case to which the State's response is mandatory. The petition was prepared with the benefit of an extension of time of 30 days. The record in this case exceeds 45 volumes in length. Although State's counsel has worked diligently on the brief, additional time is needed for review and revision. The undersigned has contacted counsel for the petitioner regarding the substance of this motion and is advised that there is no opposition. Accordingly, the State respectfully requests that it be allowed until December 24, 2017, to file its brief in opposition.

Sincerely,

s/ James E. Gaylord
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