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

In Re: William Thompson v. Phillip Parker, Warden  
No. 17-7504 – A Capital Case

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Commonwealth of Kentucky respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days to file its brief in opposition. Since receiving petitioner's notice of docketing, the undersigned has been actively involved in preparing briefs in the Kentucky state courts as well as conducting end-year performance evaluations of the attorneys working under his supervision. Kentucky's brief in opposition is presently due on February 21, 2018; the 30-day extension would make the new due date Friday, March 23, 2018.

Sincerely,

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