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Washington, D.C. 20530

May 15, 2018

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

Re:

Bobby Jo Gipson v. United States of America,

S.Ct No. 17-8637

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on April 17, 2018, and placed on the docket on April 25, 2018. The government's response is due on May 25, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including June 25, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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