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Mr. Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
1 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Bruce Earl Ward, Petitioner v. State of Arkansas, Respondent*
United States Supreme Court, Case No. 17-9159

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4 to request an extension of time in which to file the Response to Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the captioned case. Respondent has been granted one previous thirty (30) day extension for filing its response which is currently due August 1, 2018. Because of my workload and the nature of the issue presented in this capital case, I will not have sufficient time to complete the response by that date. Therefore, I request an additional extension of thirty (30) days to file the response, which will make the response due on Friday, August 31, 2018.

Opposing counsel has been contacted and has graciously stated she has no objection to the requested extension.

Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Newman".

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