

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**THE SUPREME COURT OF  
THE UNITED STATES**

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AJAY AHUJA, M.D.

*Petitioner*

V.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*Respondent*

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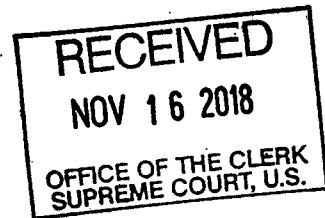
**APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

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*To the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg  
Associate Justice for the Supreme Court of the  
United States*

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**To the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice for the Supreme Court of the United States**

Applicant-Petitioner, Ajay Ahuja, M.D., respectfully requests an extension of time to file a petition for writ of certiorari. Sup. Ct. R. 13.5. The earliest deadline for Applicant to file his petition is Tuesday, November 27, 2018, which is ninety days from Wednesday, August 29, 2018, the date that the Second Circuit Court of Appeals issued an order affirming the decision entered by the District Court of Connecticut. For good cause set forth herein, Applicant ask that the deadline be extended by fifty-five days so that the new deadline would be Monday, January 21, 2019.

**BACKGROUND AND DECISION BELOW**

The Applicant, Ajay Ahuja, M.D. intends to petition this Court for a writ of certiorari to review the Second Circuit Court of Appeals' judgment in affirming the District Court of Connecticut's fine against Dr. Ajay Ahuja in the amount of \$200,000 for certain violations of the Controlled Substances Act.

The Applicant challenges the decisions below because, in levying the \$200,000 fine against him, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and the Connecticut District Court did not properly interpret the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. Section 801, et. seq., with the principles of statutory construction that this Court has adopted and have instructed the courts below to follow. And, since the decisions in

the trial court and the appellate court rest on an erroneous and flawed interpretation of the Controlled Substance Act, the Applicant will seek certification of certiorari so that this Court will clarify the precise meaning of the penalties provision of the Controlled Substances Act and correct the errors in law made by the courts below.

## **JURISDICTION**

This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. Section 1254(1).

## **REASONS EXTENSION IS JUSTIFIED**

Supreme Court Rule 13.5 provides that “An application to extend the time to file shall set out the basis for jurisdiction in this Court, identify the judgment sought to be reviewed, include a copy of the opinion and any order respecting rehearing, and set out specific reasons why an extension of time is justified. Sup. Ct. R. 13.5. The specific reasons why an extension of time is justified are as follows:

1. The Applicant, Ajay Ahuja, M.D., is not currently represented by counsel.

The Applicant is searching for counsel to represent him before this Court in his contemplated petition for writ of certiorari. The Applicant needs the additional time to identify counsel who may represent him in connection with the above mentioned petition, and then counsel will need time to identify the issues the arguments that need to be addressed so that this Court will grant such petition. Although the Applicant is pro se, he understands

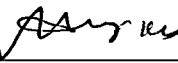
that his time to identify new counsel and have his petition for certification for writ of certiorari filed cannot exceed the time that is granted by this Court.

2. The Applicant is also a litigant in a case in the Superior Court of Connecticut.

In that case, the trial was scheduled for November 7, 2018, but was rescheduled to February 20, 2018. The Applicant is an essential plaintiff in that case and, excluding the considerable time that he expends as a solo practitioner of his medical clinic, he must make time in that case to be deposed, appear at depositions testimony of defendants, appear at evidentiary hearings, and appear at pre-trial hearings. The docket number of that case is FST-CV15-6027019-S, and a copy of the docket sheet is included in the appendix attached hereto.

### **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons and good cause shown, the Applicant respectfully requests that this Court grant this application for an extension of time to file a petition for writ of certiorari up to and including the date Monday, January 21, 2019.

  
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