

## State of Louisiana

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By electronic submission and U.S. mail

The Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk of Court, Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Ball v. LeBlanc, No. 18-162

Dear Mr. Harris:

In this matter this Court has requested a brief in opposition to a petition for certiorari from the Respondent, James M. LeBlanc, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, et al. The brief in opposition is currently due on October 24, 2018.

The parties continue to engage in good-faith settlement discussions that would benefit from additional time, and may ultimately obviate the need to file the brief in opposition. To facilitate those discussions, the undersigned respectfully requests a second thirty-day extension. The undersigned has spoken with counsel for the Petitioners, who agrees that this extension is proper.

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