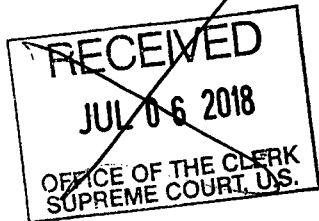
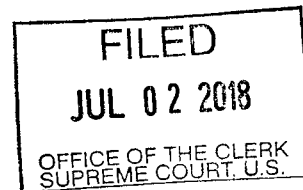


No. 18A31

In The
Supreme Court of the United States



Madeleine Connor,
Petitioner



vs.

Eric Castro, Gary Sertich, Nancy Nave, Leah Stewart, Charles "Chuck" McCormick,
Respondents

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the
Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, Louisiana

**Application for Extension of Time
To File a Petition for Writ of Certiorari**

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TO THE HONORABLE SAMUEL A. ALITO, Jr., Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and Circuit Justice for the Fifth Circuit:

Pursuant to Rules 13.5 and 30.2 of the Rules of this Court, Petitioner Madeleine Connor respectfully requests that the time to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari in this matter be extended for forty-five days, to and including Thursday, September 6, 2018.

The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals denied rehearing *en banc* on April 24, 2018. Absent an extension of time, the Petition would be due ninety days later, on July 23, 2018. This Application is being filed at least ten days before that date.

The opinion and judgment sought to be reviewed are those of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, Louisiana. The issues to be presented relate to a local government special district's First Amendment retaliation against a citizen (Connor) for engaging in speech, association, and petition.

Attached are (1) the denial of rehearing by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals; and (2) the Panel Opinion of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, affirming the Western District of Texas.

This Court would have jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §1254(1).

Explained below are the reasons for requesting an extension of time.

Connor's work load includes full-time state-employment (40 hours per week), and a private-client docket of cases, one of which recently went to a jury verdict in Harris County, Texas. Petitioner is *pro se*, and a solo practitioner.

Due to this workload, several illnesses, and unfamiliarity with Rule 33's typeset and booklet requirements, Connor has not been able to devote sufficient time to properly present the issues for review to this Court within 90 days.

For these reasons, Petitioner prays for a 45-day extension of time to file her Petition. Petitioner is not a member of this bar but expects to apply for admission shortly. Petitioner is a licensed attorney in Texas.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner prays that the timeframe to file her petition for writ of certiorari to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, Louisiana, be extended to September 6, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,



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