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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Danny Bickell Deputy Clerk for Practice and Procedure Supreme Court of the United States One First Street NE Washington, DC 20543

Re: No. 18-398; FCA US LLC v. Flynn, et al.

Dear Mr. Bickell:

I am counsel for respondent in the above-referenced case. On September 28, 2018, a certiorari petition was docketed in this case. Unless extended by the Court, the response would be due on October 29, 2018. For the reasons that follow, and pursuant to Rule 30.4, I respectfully request an extension of 30 days, to and including November 28, 2018.

Despite diligent efforts, counsel requires additional time to prepare a response to the petition. At the time that the petition was filed, counsel was already involved in preparation of the appellant's brief in *Lowe v*. *Mercy Clinic*, No. ED106447, due to be filed in the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, by November 2, 2018, and preparation of the appellant's reply brief in *S.M.S. v. J.B.S.*, No. ED105760, due to be filed in the same court by November 5, 2018. An extension will allow me to meet these obligations and also to file a response that adequately addresses the points raised in the petition.

For these reasons, I ask that a 30-day extension be granted. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Jeffer X. McPherson

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All counsel of record