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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

October 30, 2018

Honorable Scott S. Harris  
Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re:     Jesse Benton v. United States of America,  
S.Ct. No. 18-442

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on October 4, 2018, and placed on the docket on October 9, 2018. The government's response is due on November 8, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including December 10, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General

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