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Washington, D.C. 20530

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

Re: Shannon Dale Smith v. United States
S. Ct. No. 18-5314

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on May 5, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on September 24, 2018. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including October 24, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for final preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of other matters before the Court.

Counsel for petitioner does not object to this further extension of time.

Sincerely,

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