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No.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
OCTOBER TERM 2017

MICHAEL HILL,  
Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Respondent.

**APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH  
TO FILE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

To the Honorable Elena Kagan, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court  
and Circuit Justice for the Seventh Circuit:

The Petitioner, MICHAEL HILL, respectfully requests, pursuant to  
Sup. Ct. R. 13.5 and 30, the issuance of an order extending the time for filing  
a petition for writ of certiorari from its present due date of July 9, 2018, to  
September 7, 2018. In support of this application, petitioner states as follows:

1. The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1).
2. Counsel was appointed pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act of

1964 (18 U.S.C. §3006A).

3. The final order of the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in this case is reported at *Hill v. United States*, 877 F.3d 717 (7th Cir. 2017) and is attached to this motion.

4. The judgment sought to be reviewed was entered on December 13, 2017, and a timely petition for rehearing and rehearing en banc was filed. The petition for rehearing was denied on April 9, 2018. (The reported decision contains two dates for denial of rehearing. The April 9, 2018 date is correct; the other date, February 12, 2018, is incorrect, as confirmed by the Seventh Circuit's docket.)

5. Petitioner's counsel is requesting an extension of time because he has not had adequate opportunity to develop the petitioner's issues for this Court. Petitioner's counsel has primary responsibility for all post-conviction cases arising in the Northern District of Illinois as a result of this Court's decision in *Johnson v. United States*, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015). Currently, counsel has that responsibility for over 40 cases. These cases require extended research and analysis into difficult legal issues. Counsel has been especially busy as a result of this Court's recent decision in *Sessions v. Dimaya*, 138 S. Ct. 1204 (2018).

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that an extension of time to file a petition for writ of certiorari be granted from the present due date of July 9, 2018 to September 7, 2018.

Dated June 26, 2018, at Chicago, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

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