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Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

December 17, 2018

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

Re: Robert Dion Ables v. United States, No. 18-6092

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on September 24, 2018, and docketed on September 26, 2018. The Court requested a response to the petition on October 22, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on December 21, 2018. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including January 18, 2019, within which to file a response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of previously assigned matters with proximate due dates.

Counsel for petitioner consents to this further extension.

Sincerely,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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