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Danny Bickell
Office of the Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

Re: Application to Extend Time to Respond to Petition in
Justen Russell v. LaShann Eppinger, Warden,
Case No. 18-6450

Dear Mr. Bickell:

The Attorney General of Ohio, pursuant to Rule 30.4, respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari. This extension would move the response date from Monday, January 7, 2019, to **Wednesday, February 6, 2019**.

Counsel seeks this extension because of a heavy caseload in several courts. Counsel does not believe that this brief delay will prejudice any party.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully yours,

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cc: Justen Russell, pro se Petitioner