

U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530 December 12, 2018

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

Re:

Fredric Russell Mance, Jr., et al. v. Matthew G. Whitaker,

Acting Attorney General, et al., S.Ct No. 18-663

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 19, 2018, and placed on the docket on November 21, 2018. The government's response is due on December 21, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including January 22, 2019, 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,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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