



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

---

*Washington, D.C. 20530*

December 18, 2018

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

Re: **Larry M. Slusser v. United States of America,**  
**S.Ct No. 18-6807**

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 20, 2018, and placed on the docket on November 26, 2018. The government's response is due on December 26, 2018.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including January 25, 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

cc: See Attached Service List

18-6807  
SLUSSER, LARRY M.  
USA

JENNIFER NILES COFFIN  
FEDERAL DEFENDER SERVICES OF EASTERN  
TENNESSEE  
800 S. GAY STREET  
STE. 2400  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37929  
865-637-7979