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Honorable Scott S. Harris, Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington DC 20543

RE: *Ruben Rangel v. California*, No. 18-6818
Request for Extension of Time to File Brief in Opposition to Petition for Certiorari

Dear Mr. Harris:

This office represents the respondent, the State of California, in the above-entitled capital case. The petition for a writ of certiorari was filed on November 20, 2018. The mandatory brief in opposition to the petition was due on December 26, 2018. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, I request that the time for filing that brief be extended by thirty days from that date, to Friday, January 25, 2018. Tara Hoveland, counsel for petitioner, has no objection to the Court granting this request.

I am requesting additional time because the petition for a writ of certiorari did not come to my attention until today, December 28, 2018. As a result, I was unaware of the original due date for the brief in opposition. Accordingly, I respectfully request that the due date for the brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari be extended to January 25, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dana M. Ali".

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cc: Tara Hoveland, Esq. (counsel for petitioner)

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