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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

March 13, 2019

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

Re: James Castleman Gipson v. United States, No. 18-7139

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on December 19, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on March 21, 2019. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including April 22, 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 does not oppose this further extension.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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