



**U.S. Department of Justice**

Office of the Solicitor General

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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

April 16, 2019

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

Re: Ward v. United States, No. 18-7439

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on December 21, 2018. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on April 17, 2019. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including May 17, 2018, 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.

Because petitioner is an incarcerated prisoner proceeding pro se, we have not obtained his consent to this request.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

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