

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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PAMELA MELVIN,

*Applicant,*

v.

DAVID J SHULKLIN, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,

*Respondent.*

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**APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PETITION  
FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF  
APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT**  
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To the Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice for the United  
States:

Petitioner Pamela Melvin hereby moves this Court, pursuant to Rules 13(5) and 30, for an extension of time of 60 days, to and including April 12, 2018, to file a petition for a writ of certiorari for a review of the decision entered on November 13, 2017, by the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in case no. 17-2041 as evidenced by the copy of the entered mandate attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

The jurisdiction of this Court is based on 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1). This

application is being mailed by certified mail on January 31, 2017, which is about 10 days prior to that due. The date within which a petition for writ of certiorari would be due, if not extended, is February 11, 2018.

**Reasons the extension of time is needed**

The reason the extension of time is needed is because the pro se Petitioner is ill. In December 2017, Petitioner developed the shingles illness that consists of nerve pain that was debilitating. Petitioner was already suffering from other illnesses such as Rheumatoid Arthritis and as a result, she was unable to work at completing the petition for a writ of certiorari. Petitioner requests that a justice, any justice review this application.

**REQUESTED RELIEF**

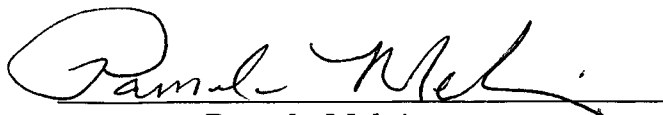
Petitioner respectfully requests a 60-day extension of the time within which to file the petition for a writ of certiorari.

**CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner respectfully submits that the time within which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari should be extended by 60 days.

Dated: January 31, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pamela Melvin", is written over a horizontal line.

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