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

Re: *Brad Hunter Smith v. State of Arkansas*, No. 18-8002 **CAPITAL CASE**

Dear Mr. Harris:

I write on behalf of Respondent State of Arkansas to request a 45-day extension of the March 18, 2019 deadline for filing a response to the petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned matter. An extension would make the response due on May 2, 2019.

I respectfully submit that a 45-day extension is reasonable and necessary because of other professional obligations, including primary and supervisory responsibility for several other matters including briefing before the Arkansas Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, and actions multiple federal and state trial courts. Additionally, the Solicitor General Unit of the Arkansas Attorney General's Office recently assumed primary responsibility for filing a response to the petition for certiorari and will require additional time to become sufficiently familiar with this matter to file a response.

Counsel for Petitioner Brad Hunter Smith does not oppose this request.

Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Bronni
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