



OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

April 11, 2019

Mr. Scott S. Harris, Clerk  
The Supreme Court of the United States  
One First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Wood v. Carpenter*, Case No. 18-8666

Dear Mr. Harris:


Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, undersigned counsel hereby requests an extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari filed in the above-captioned case. The extension is justified for the following reasons.

The petition was filed on March 29, 2019. The response is due on May 2, 2019. Although counsel for the State has begun work on the response, counsel will not be able to complete it by the filing deadline. Counsel for the State filed the Brief in Opposition to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in *Grissom v. Carpenter*, United States Supreme Court Case Number 18-8592 on April 9, 2019. The undersigned has begun preparing for an evidentiary hearing in *Martinez v. Carpenter*, United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma Case Number 16-1278. Although the dates for the hearing have not yet been determined, counsel is also under an order from the court to provide discovery. The undersigned is also preparing for an *en banc* argument to be held on May 7, 2019 in *Pavatt v. Carpenter*, United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit Case Number 14-6117. This case involves a number of legal issues and a high degree of complexity.

In addition, the undersigned is responsible for reviewing all pleadings filed in death penalty cases, as well as some pleadings in non-capital cases, by the Office of the Attorney General of Oklahoma. This responsibility consumes a significant amount of the undersigned's time.

For all of the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests an additional thirty days, or until June 1, 2019, in which to file its response.

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