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In The

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

October Term 2018

Armando Lopez,

Applicant/Petitioner,

 \mathbf{v} .

Massachusetts, Respondent.

Application for a Further Extension of Time Within Which to File a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts

APPLICATION TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICE STEPHEN BREYER AS CIRCUIT JUSTICE

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APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Rule 13.5 of the Rules of this Court, Applicant Armando Lopez hereby requests a further 30-day extension of time within which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari up to and including Monday, April 8, 2019.

JUDGMENT FOR WHICH REVIEW IS SOUGHT

The judgment for which review is sought is Commonwealth v. Armando Lopez, No. 17-P-1101 (August 2, 2018). The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts denied Applicant's motion for further appellate review on November 8, 2018.

JURISDICTION

This Court will have jurisdiction over any timely filed petition for certiorari in this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1). Under Rules 13.1, 13.3, and 30.1 of the Rules of this Court, a petition for a writ of certiorari was due to be filed on or before February 6, 2019. On January 24, 2019, Justice Breyer extended the time in which to file the petition for a writ of certiorari to March 8, 2019. In accordance with Rule 13.5, this application is being filed more than 10 days in advance of the filing date for the petition for a writ of certiorari.

REASONS JUSTIFYING AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully requests a further 30-day extension of time within which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari seeking review of the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts in this case, up to and including April 8, 2019.

1. Applicant has requested that the Northwestern University School of Law Supreme Court Practicum assist in the preparation of his petition. A further extension of time will permit the students the time necessary to complete a cogent and well-researched petition after the start of the academic semester which began January 14, 2019.

The further extension of time is also necessary because of the press of 2. other client business. For example, in the coming months, the Northwestern Practicum has several overlapping commitments representing other clients in this Court, including a respondent's brief on the merits in *United States* v. Davis (18-431), a brief in opposition in Gittere v. Echavarria (18-756), a reply brief in Quintana v. Colorado (18-6728), and a petition for a writ of certiorari in Apelt v. Ryan (18A656). Mr. Green is also appointed counsel in six D.C. Court of Appeals cases currently briefing and/or preparing for oral argument (Johnson v. United States, No. 13-CF-493; General v. United States, No. 16-CF-0822; Minor v. United States, No. 18-CF-0686; Young v. United States, No. 18-CF-0694; Gordon v. United States, Nos. 17-CO-814 and 17-CO-1295; and Neal v. United States, No. 17-CF-1346) and has ongoing litigation in the District Court for the District of Columbia. A further 30-day extension for the Applicant would allow Mr. Green the necessary amount of time to effectively contribute to all open matters including Applicant's petition as well as his other client business abroad, and would also allow the Northwestern Practicum students sufficient time for research and drafting efforts per Applicant's request.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that this Court grant a further extension of 30 days, up to and including April 8, 2019, within which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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