In The Supreme Court of the United States

No. _____

ERIC A. HICKS, *Petitioner*,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, *Respondent*.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO FILE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

TO THE HONORABLE JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR., CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES AND CIRCUIT JUSTICE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

Petitioner Hicks requests an extension of time of thirty (30) days to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari. The current deadline for filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari is March 26, 2019. This application is being filed more than ten days prior to the due date. A copy of the opinion below is appended to this application. The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1).

This petition presents an important question of sentencing constitutionality, decided adversely to Petitioner below, in which the District of Columbia Circuit stands in conflict with prior opinions of this Court. *See United States v Hicks*, 911 F.3d 623, 627-28 (D.C. Cir. 2018), slip op at 5. An extension of time is required because counsel needs to further consult with his client regarding the contents of the Petition and the decision whether or not to proceed. In addition, counsel is burdened by the press of business, including three engagements with clients on time-sensitive matters that may not be postponed. No party will suffer prejudice from the granting of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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