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Scott Harris, Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
Office of the Clerk
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Billy Joe Wardlow v. Davis*, No. 18-9273

Dear Mr. Harris,

A response in this death-penalty case is currently due June 13, 2019. Respondent respectfully requests a thirty-two-day extension of the present deadline, up to and including Monday, July 15, 2019. This is Respondent's first request for an extension in this case. The extension is not sought for an improper purpose, including harassment or unnecessary delay. Rather, the undersigned attorney requires additional time due to the demands of a capital caseload. Indeed, the undersigned presented oral argument before the Fifth Circuit on May 15, 2019, in the capital case *Crutsinger v. Davis*, No. 18-70027. The undersigned also has a response to a federal habeas petition due on July 16, 2019, in *Granger v. Davis*, No. 1:17-CV-291 (E.D. Tex.). Finally, the undersigned has also devoted significant time preparing for a state court evidentiary hearing that is scheduled for July 30, 2019, in the death-penalty case *Ex parte Jenkins*, CR-10-1063-A (Hays County, Texas). The undersigned conferred with Petitioner's counsel, Richard Burr, who stated that he was not opposed to this requested extension. A copy of this letter will be sent to opposing counsel. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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