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VIA E-FILE AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

Scott S. Harris, Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
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Re: *Hancock v. Davis*, No. 18-940
Motion to Extend Time to File Response to Petition for Writ of
Certiorari

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent respectfully moves for an extension of the time for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari in *Hancock v. Davis*, No. 18-940.

This Court requested a response on February 21, 2019, and Respondent sought and received a 30-day extension for filing a response brief, until April 24, 2019. Respondent now seeks an additional 21-day extension, making the response brief due May 15, 2019. This second extension is needed because of the press of business from numerous, complex matters with deadlines near the current deadline which require significant time and attention from the undersigned counsel and other counsel assisting with this matter:

- *North v. Davis*, No. 18-10306 (5th Cir.): Appellee's merits brief filed March 27, 2019.
- *Texas Department of Criminal Justice v. Rangel*, No. 18-0721 (Supreme Court of Texas): Petitioner's merits brief filed April 10, 2019.

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- *Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission*, No. 18-50299 (5th Cir.): Oral argument on April 29, 2019.
- *Texas v. United States*, No. 19-10011 (5th Cir.): Appellee's merits brief due May 1, 2019.
- *In re Hoover*, No. 18-0896 (Supreme Court of Texas): Respondent's merits brief due May 3, 2019.
- *Torres v. Texas Department of Public Safety*, No. 19-0107 (Supreme Court of Texas): Response to petition for review due May 6, 2019.

Additionally, counsel assisting with the brief just recently returned from paternity leave. No prejudice would arise from the requested extension, and the Petitioner does not oppose this second extension.

For the foregoing reasons, Respondent respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari, creating a new deadline of May 15, 2019.

Sincerely,

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