



**U.S. Department of Justice**

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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

July 29, 2019

Honorable Scott S. Harris  
Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: In re: Billie J. Allen, No. 18-9554

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the above-captioned case was filed on May 24, 2019. The government's response is now due, after one extension, on August 5, 2019. We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, a further extension of time to and including September 4, 2019, within which to file a response.

This extension is necessary because the attorneys with principal responsibility for preparation of the government's response have been heavily engaged with the press of previously assigned matters with proximate due dates.

Petitioner is an incarcerated prisoner proceeding *pro se*. The government has not, therefore, sought petitioner's consent to this request.

Sincerely,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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