

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI



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November 8, 2018

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Deputy Clerk for Practice and Procedure
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.C.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Jerrard T. Cook v. Mississippi*, No. 18-98

Dear Mr. Bickell:

Respondent respectfully requests a twenty (20) day extension of time within which to file the brief in opposition to Mr. Cook's petition for a writ of certiorari in the above styled and numbered case. Respondent's brief in opposition is presently due on November 13, 2018. In support thereof, the Respondent submits the following.

Counsel is, and has been, diligently working to provide the Court with a complete brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari. Counsel has had additional commitments which have prevented the filing of a timely response in this case. In addition to preparing this brief in opposition, counsel filed a motion for rehearing today in the case of *Tobias Coleman v. State of Mississippi*, 2017-KA-0342-SCT. Counsel has had oral arguments before the Mississippi Court of Appeals on: October 10, 2018, in the case of *Joshua Eric Clark v. State of Mississippi*, 2017-KA-00411-COA and on October 30, 2018, in the case of *Charles Oliver v. State of Mississippi*, 2017-KM-01046-COA. Counsel also had oral argument before the Mississippi Supreme Court on September 26, 2018, in *Brett Jones v. State of Mississippi*, 2015-CT-00899-SCT. Additionally, counsel continues working on the Respondent's brief in opposition to a petition for a writ of certiorari due November 13, 2018 in the Supreme Court in *Joey Chandler v. State of Mississippi*, 18-203.

Due to the aforementioned commitments, counsel respectfully makes this request for an additional twenty (20) days within which to file the response opposing Mr. Cook's petition for a writ of certiorari, thus making it due December 3, 2018. This request is not being made to cause undue delay. Counsel for Petitioner has been contacted and does not oppose this requested extension.

Sincerely,

/s/ Scott Stuart
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IN THE
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JERRARD T. COOK,
Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
Respondent.

PROOF OF SERVICE

Undersigned hereby certifies that a true copy of the request for extension of time, filed in the above-captioned matter, has been served on opposing counsel of record by electronic mail and by depositing one copy of the same in the United States Mail, first class postage pre-paid, as follows:

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This the 8th day of November, 2018.

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