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

> Re: <u>United States v. Michael J.D. Briggs</u>, No. 19-108 <u>United States v. Richard D. Collins</u>, No. 19-184

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Court granted the petitions for writs of certiorari in these cases on November 15, 2019. Petitioner's opening brief on the merits is currently due December 30, 2019.

In order to accommodate scheduling difficulties and the press of other cases, petitioner respectfully requests, under Rule 30.4 of the Rules of this Court, an extension to and including January 6, 2020, within which to file the opening brief and joint appendix. Counsel for respondents consent to that request and, because of similar concerns, seek an extension of time for the filing of respondents' briefs to and including February 12, 2020. Petitioner consents to that request.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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