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*Via Federal Express*

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

Re: *Leroy D. Cropper v. State of Arizona*, U.S. Supreme Court No. 19-1100.

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4 and this Court's order of March 19, 2020, Respondent, the State of Arizona, respectfully requests a 60-day extension of time in which to file its brief in opposition to Leroy Cropper's petition for certiorari in this Court, to and including June 8, 2020. The current deadline to file the brief in opposition is April 8, 2020.

Respondent's counsel of record has been delayed in drafting the brief in opposition in this matter due to her caseload. In particular, counsel of record is now completing two state-court briefs whose deadlines have already been extended, and she currently has a state supreme court argument scheduled for May 5, 2020, in *State v. Strong*, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR-17-0201-AP. Further, the current COVID-19 health crisis has impacted the time counsel of record can devote to the drafting of the brief in opposition and to her other professional obligations. Respondent respectfully requests that this Court grant an extension of time to and including June 8, 2020, in which to complete and file the brief in opposition. Counsel of record has contacted opposing counsel, Melissa Arbus Sherry, who has indicated that she would not object to a 45-day extension.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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