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## VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS AND EMAIL

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Re: Hunt v. Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico, et al.

Motion to Extend Time to Respond to Petition for Writ of Certiorari

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondents Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico; Scott Carroll, M.D., in his individual and official capacities; John Doe; Jane Doe; Members of the Committee for Student Promotion and Evaluation, in their individual and official capacities; Teresa A. Vigil, M.D., in her individual and official capacities; and Paul Roth, M.D., in his individual and official capacities (hereinafter collectively the "Board") respectfully moves for an extension of time for filing its response to Appellant Paul Hunt's Petition for Writ of Certiorari in *Hunt v. Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico, et al.*, Docket No. 19-1225, until May 29, 2020.

The original deadline for Mr. Hunt to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari was February 12, 2020. Mr. Hunt requested an extension of time to file until April 10, 2020. Justice Sotomayor granted this request. Mr. Hunt filed his Petition for Writ of Certiorari on April 10, 2020.

Review of Mr. Hunt's Petition for Writ of Certiorari reveals numerous arguments that were not raised or briefed to either the District Court for the District of New Mexico or the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, including specifically that (1) the standard for granting qualified immunity to state actors is unclear or is being inconsistently applied by district and circuit courts around the United States, and (2) that a different standard for the application of qualified immunity applies to First Amendment cases than to other cases. *See* Petition for Writ of Certiorari at 17-30.

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In order to adequately respond, the Board must not only address the issues raised and argued below, but these additional issues as well. To most effectively do so, the Board requests an additional 11 days to file its response. As illustrated by Mr. Hunt's request for additional time to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari, no prejudice will result from the requested extension.

For the foregoing reasons, the Board respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for filing its response to Mr. Hunt's Petition for Writ of Certiorari from May 18, 2020 until May 29, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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