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Hon. Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20543

Re: Hamner v. Burls, No. 19-1291

Dear Mr. Harris:

I write on behalf of Respondents Danny Burls et al. to request a 60-day extension of the deadline for filing a brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in this matter. The response is currently due on June 15, 2020. With this requested extension, the response would be due on August 14, 2020. Petitioner Charles Hamner does not oppose this request.

A 60-day extension is reasonable and necessary because of other professional obligations. Along with other routine responsibilities, I and my staff are responsible for litigating multiple emergency actions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Those matters are being litigated on a significantly accelerated timetable and have required a substantial time commitment. Additionally, the Solicitor General Unit of the Arkansas Attorney General's Office only recently assumed responsibility for this matter and will require additional time to become sufficiently familiar with it to prepare a response to the petition for certiorari.

Sincerely,

/s/ Nicholas J. Bronni

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