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

Re: Brian Kirk Malpasso, et al. v. William M. Palozzi, Superintendent,

Maryland Department of State Police, No. 19-423

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed on the Court's docket on September 26, 2019. By letter dated October 18, 2019, this office was informed that the Court had requested a response to the petition to be filed by November 18, 2019. The respondent requests, under Rule 30.4, a 30-day extension of time permitting the response to be filed on or before December 18, 2019.

The extension is necessary because, although I did not handle the case in the lower courts, I have principal responsibility for preparing the response to the petition; because of the press of other assigned matters, including my duties as Chief of Litigation of the Office of the Attorney General of Maryland; and to allow sufficient time both for the brief to undergo our office's internal review process and to coordinate with the printer.

Sincerely,

Julia Doyle Bernhardt Chief of Litigation

cc: Paul D. Clement, Esquire