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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

August 21, 2019

Mr. Scott S. Harris, Clerk  
The Supreme Court of the United States  
One First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Simpson v. Oklahoma*, Case No. 19-5298

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, undersigned counsel hereby requests an extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari filed in the above-captioned case. The extension is justified for the following reasons.

The petition was filed on July 22, 2019. The response is due on August 23, 2019. Although counsel for the State has begun work on the response, counsel will not be able to complete it by the filing deadline. Counsel for the State was out of the office for approximately three weeks during the month of July and August on personal and work related matters.

Counsel is currently assisting on an evidentiary hearing in the case of Antonio Smith v. Scott Crow, Case No. 15-cv-445-GKF-FHM in the Northern District of Oklahoma. In addition, the undersigned is a peer review leader and reviews the work of three attorneys in the criminal appeals unit of the Office of the Attorney General of Oklahoma, and in that capacity reviews all pleadings filed by those individuals. This responsibility has consumed a significant amount of the undersigned's time since the filing of Petitioner's petition for writ of certiorari.

For all of the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests an additional thirty days, or until September 23, 2019, in which to file its response.

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