

U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

September 10, 2019

Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D.C. 20543

Re:

Anthony Wayne Bettcher v. United States of America,

S.Ct No. 19-5652

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on August 16, 2019, and placed on the docket on August 21, 2019. The government's response is due on September 20, 2019.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including October 21, 2019, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

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