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

Re: *Randall Wayne Mays v. State of Texas*, No. 19-5839

Dear Mr. Harris,

A response in this death penalty case is due October 7, 2019. The Respondent respectfully requests a two-day extension of the present deadline, up to and including October 9, 2019. This is Respondent's first request for an extension in this case, and Respondent anticipates only requesting this one. The extension is not designed to harass the petitioner or cause unnecessary delay. Rather the undersigned requires additional time for researching the claims and briefing the State's opposition. The undersigned conferred with petitioner's counsel, Ms. Sarah Brandon, who is not opposed to the requested extension. A copy of this letter will be sent to Ms. Brandon. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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