



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

Washington, D.C. 20530

January 21, 2020

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

Re: Cedrick Ponder v. United States of America
No. 19-7076

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on October 29, 2019, and placed on the docket on December 30, 2019. The government's response is due on January 29, 2020.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including February 28, 2020, 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,

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