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

Re: Phillip Wayne Tomlin v. Tony Patterson, Warden, No. 19-7127

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing to request an extension of 30 days, to and including Wednesday, March 25, 2020, for the filing of the State of Alabama's brief in opposition in the above-captioned case. Unless an extension is granted, the State's brief in opposition will be due February 24, 2020.

Counsel of record, Edmund LaCour, has only recently taken over the case. Mr. LaCour requires additional time to research the record and legal issues presented in this case. Moreover, between now and the current due date of the brief, Mr. LaCour has substantial oral argument and briefing obligations.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>s/Edmund G. LaCour Jr.</u> Edmund G. LaCour Jr.

cc: Bernard E. Harcourt