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February 24, 2020

Honorable Danny Bickell, Deputy Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Office of the Clerk
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Patrick Henry Murphy v. State of Texas*, No. 19-7481

Dear Mr. Bickell:

This is to request a thirty-one-day extension of time, up to and including March 30, 2020, in which to file a brief in opposition in the above-styled cause. The Court docketed the petition for writ of certiorari on January 29, 2020. The need for an extension is due to the undersigned's capital docket, non-capital direct-appeals docket, post-conviction DNA-testing docket, and other work-related obligations. Additionally, the undersigned recently submitted an application for admission to the Bar of this Court and is awaiting acceptance so that she may proceed as counsel of record in this case.

This is the first extension of time requested by the State in this case. The undersigned has conferred with counsel for petitioner, David R. Dow, who stated that he does not object to the requested extension. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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