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# Supreme Court of the United States

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Jose Ricardo Soliz,

*Petitioner,*

v.

MONTGOMERY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT,

*Respondent.*

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From the Texas Supreme Court

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## APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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**To Respected Justice Sotomayor and the Court:**

Petitioner respectfully requests an extension of time to petition this court for meaningful access to the American court system. The Court's jurisdiction is invoked under 28 U.S.C.1257(a). On August 30, 2019, my state's highest court denied my petition for review. This case is about fees, inconsistent treatment of pauper procedural rules among the courts in Texas, due process and how all is related to the inaccessibility of our court system in Texas and beyond. More than 15 courts in this area were found to have lied, committed crimes, and more recently violated civil rights en masse All with no prosecution I might add. Such occurred in a suit against multiple courts simultaneously and rulings in the Southern District of Texas. This is only the tip of the ice burg and this case will shed light on other aspects of those issues and more.

Petitioner has come up through the Texas court system from Montgomery County, Texas (Houston's neighbor) and has experienced successful efforts to prevent, not unlike courts in Houston, my access to the courts at every turn. From disguised, calculated efforts to blatant, income based and racially motivated law violations, clear black letter law is ignored in order to prevent access to the courts. Such is done for expediency at times and just because of plain laziness at other times. The judicial system in these parts has long believed that it is above the law and basically dares anyone to do anything about it. Voters recently did some mass fixing, but there is a long way to go.

This case is basically about fees and how they prohibit the common man from accessing the courts, regardless of somewhat feeble legislative efforts to correct the process. And when complex, unnecessary procedural rules are added to the mix, it is all but impossible to have one's proverbial day in court. As a person unable to pay costs, and even though state and local laws were pursued, which by the way are randomly and inconsistently enforced by the courts, we are ignored in our efforts for access. And what a system, if a litigant is required to pay fees to argue

that one could not afford fees below. Then when the courts' other sneaky efforts are not fruitful, they bill a litigant for items the litigant did not order in an effort to intimidate the litigant from continuing. Amazing but true.

I come up as a common taxpayer being abused with a baseless five-fold increase, from one day to the next, in valuation of property tax purposes, by a county agency down the street from the courthouse where rulings for the respondent are predictable. Unable to afford the petition costs, as mentioned, I followed existing law, and was ignored and the case was dismissed. Appellate courts in Texas are set up for wealthy interests and to avoid work and ignore the common man and litigant. While this may all sound radical, it is commonplace here. Timely appeals to the courts found no relief and things became stranger still with inconsistencies among the courts. I sit here now before the final court with very little hope (statistically based) that my case will be heard, but I must ask, nevertheless. And to be heard, this extension must be heard and granted. It certainly is under **extraordinary circumstances** as the court requires. And what inconvenience at all does it cost anyone, other than the common man, if this case takes a couple of extra months? The only cost is to society with these types of cases not being heard at all. We are talking about a common but educated U.S. citizen trying to make time from a busy, working family life in order to take the extraordinary step of seeking justice from the highest court of the land. This is while going through an extraordinary time frame while working multiple jobs and dealing with the college application process for a child and the dozens of hours that it takes in today's competitive market, while doing extensive ongoing volunteer work with multiple agencies and boards, dealing with a family illness, my own illness during this time, moving my office during this time, feeling the lasting effects of multiple weather events in Houston, doing substantial pro bono work, and doing my duty as a U.S. citizen to keep up with current events such as the incompetent White House.

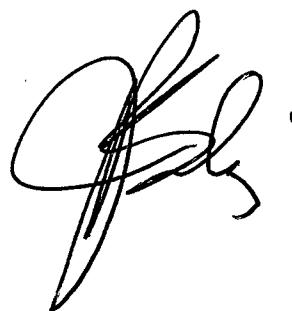
And as I try one last appeal, I find more of the same. Ninety days is by no means nearly enough time to prepare a Supreme Court appeal for anyone with limited appellate experience (most existing people). It seems that only the elite have access to this court as well. Elite attorneys or elite financially suited clients. There seems to be an unnecessary rule as well rule in this court regarding requests for extensions of time. Arbitrarily and for no apparent reason, the legislature adds a caveat that, unless extraordinary reason is found, an extension of time to file a petition will not be granted unless requested within 10 days of the deadline. It seems to prey on the weary that need a little more time to complete and improve a petition to submit something complete and respectable. I ask myself, what possible reason related to justice could there be? What possible inconvenience to anyone if an extension is granted? Is it just another way to cut citizens' access to our judicial system?

#### Certificate of Service

While I had no opponent representing the respondent and courts simply and astonishingly ruled against me without stating reasons all along the way, a representative did appear for a few minutes at the last stage, and they will receive a copy of this application.

#### Prayer

Petitioner prays that this application for extension of time be granted for 60 days.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Doe".