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Clerk of the Court Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20543

Request for Extension of Time To File Brief in Opposition to Petition for Certiorari State of North Carolina v. Norfolk Junior Best, No. 20-1608

Dear Clerk of Court:

In light of the current pandemic and other professional and personal responsibilities, including local court appearances and deadlines, counsel for the Respondent, Mr. Norfolk Junior Best, are writing to request a thirty-day extension of time, to July 19, 2021, to file his Brief in Opposition to Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court of North Carolina. The above-captioned case is a capital case and a Brief in Opposition to Petition for Writ of Certiorari is required.

Counsel for Petitioner, Mr. Jonathan P. Babb, has been consulted and indicated he has no objection to this request.

Sincerely,

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