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Hon. Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20543

Re: Johnson v. Arkansas, No. 20-48 ***CAPITAL CASE***

Dear Mr. Harris:

I write on behalf of Respondent State of Arkansas to request a 30-day extension of the deadline for filing a brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in this matter. The response is currently due on August 19, 2020. With this requested extension, the response would be due on September 18, 2020. Petitioner Stacey Johnson does not oppose this request.

A 30-day extension is reasonable and necessary because of other professional obligations. Along with other routine responsibilities and lower court matters related to the upcoming election and COVID-19, I and my staff are responsible for preparing two other briefs in opposition to certiorari that are due during the same period.

Sincerely,

/s/ Nicholas J. Bronni

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cc: Jane Taylor Pucher, jpucher@innocenceproject.org, Counsel for Petitioner