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

Re: *Robert Poyson v. State of Arizona*, No. 20–7988

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to United States Supreme Court Rule 30(4), the State of Arizona respectfully requests a first 30-day extension of time to file the Brief in Opposition to Petitioner Robert Poyson's Petition for Writ of Certiorari. The Brief in Opposition is currently due on June 10, 2021. The State of Arizona requests an extension of time to and including July 12, 2021. Poyson's counsel, Natman Schaye, does not oppose this request.

Undersigned counsel requests an extension because of his involvement in other capital cases. Those cases, which are listed in order based on counsel's degree of involvement, are as follows: *State v. Carlson*, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR 12–0464–AP, currently on post-conviction review in Pima County Superior Court No. CR 2009–3455–001; *Martinez v. Shinn*, United States District Court, District of Arizona, No. 2:20–cv–00517 (federal habeas corpus); *State v. McKinney*, United States Supreme Court No. 18–1109, currently on post-conviction review in Maricopa County Superior Court No. CR 1991–090926B; and *State v. Prince*, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR 00–0328–AP, currently on post-conviction review in Maricopa County Superior Court No. CR 1998–004885.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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