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Via E-Filing

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

Re: Gregory Atkins, et al. v. Kenneth Williams, No. 20-941

Dear Mr. Harris,

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent Kenneth Williams, in his official capacity as Medical Director of the Tennessee Department of Correction, respectfully requests an extension of 28 days, to and including March 12, 2021, of the time period within which to file his response to the petition for a writ of certiorari in *Atkins v. Williams*, No. 20-941. The petition was docketed on January 13, 2021. The response is currently due on February 12, 2021. Petitioner does not oppose this request.

This is Respondent's first request for an extension of time. The extension is needed because Respondent's counsel of record, Sarah K. Campbell, has significant briefing obligations near the current deadline, including the State's opening brief in *Bristol Regional Women's Center*, *P.C. v. Slatery*, No. 20-6267 (6th Cir.) (due February 9, 2021). Moreover, counsel was not involved in the

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proceedings below and needs additional time to review the record and fully research the relevant legal issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Sarah K. Campbell, a member of the Supreme Court Bar, hereby certify that on January 25, 2021, a copy of the attached letter requesting an extension of time within which to file a brief in opposition was served electronically on the following counsel:

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