



**U.S. Department of Justice
Office of the Solicitor General**

Washington, D.C. 20530

March 2, 2022

Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Jeff Garvin Smith, Cary Dale Vandiver, Patrick Michael MCKeoun,
David Randy Drozdowski, and Vincent John Witort v. United States
of America, S.Ct. No. 21-1089

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on February 2, 2022, and placed on the docket on February 7, 2022. The government's response is due on March 9, 2022.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including April 8, 2022, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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