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Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543-0001

**RE: Jacquelyn Bouazizi v. Hillsborough County Civil Service Board, et al.
U.S. Supreme Court Case No. 21-315
Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to Petition for Writ of Certiorari**

Dear Madam/Sir:

The undersigned firm represents Respondent Hillsborough County Civil Service Board¹ (HCCSB) in its response to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari filed by Petitioner Jacquelyn Bouazizi and currently before this Court. Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, HCCSB respectfully requests that the time period for filing a response in opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari be extended for sixty (60) days, up to and including November 29, 2021. This request is necessary for the following reasons:

The United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit issued its Order affirming the decision of the United States District Court in and for the Middle District of Florida on January 29, 2021. As Plaintiff did not file her Petition for Writ of Certiorari until August 26, 2021, almost seven months following that decision, this Petition was unexpected.

The Petition was placed on the docket on August 31, 2021, and HCCSB's response is currently due on September 30, 2021. This extension is being sought more than ten days prior to the deadline.

¹ Respondent Hillsborough County is represented by separate counsel.

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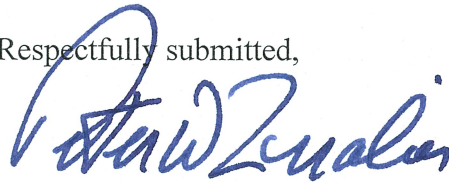
Counsel for HCCSB have had significant scheduling conflicts with previously scheduled professional obligations during this thirty-day time period. By way of illustration, HCCSB's counsel had previously scheduled 12 depositions in other cases during this thirty-day period, in addition to significant other professional obligations. Counsel has significant obligations already scheduled for October 2021 as well, included a scheduled absence from the office from October 14-21, 2021.

Additionally, HCCSB's counsel, Gretchen Lehman, who represented HCCSB in the proceedings before the District Court for the Middle District of Florida and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, is seeking admission to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States in order to continue to represent Respondent in this proceeding.

Accordingly, HCCSB respectfully requests that the time in which HCCSB may respond to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari be extended to and including November 29, 2021.

Should you require anything further, please contact us. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

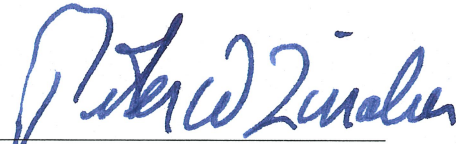


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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 17th day of September, 2021 the foregoing was electronically filed and the original was sent by U.S. First Class Mail to the U.S. Supreme Court and that a true and correct copy has been served by email and U.S. First Class Mail upon *Pro Se* Petitioner:

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