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

Re: *Clark v. Dunn*
Case No. 21-6202

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing to request an extension of time to file the State of Alabama's brief in opposition in the above-captioned capital case. The State's brief in opposition is due in this Court on December 9, 2021. This extension is necessary because undersigned counsel is extensively involved in an ongoing joint federal-state prosecution involving a former public official as well as two other public corruption prosecutions. Also, counsel was traveling for the Thanksgiving holidays and dealing with matters related to my representation of the Alabama National Guard.

The State of Alabama requests an additional 28 days. I have spoken with the Petitioner's counsel and my request is unopposed. The State's brief in opposition would be due on January 6, 2022, if my request is granted.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

s/ James R. Houts
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