

NO:

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER TERM, 2021

WILLIAM SARDINAS

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

**APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN
WHICH TO FILE A PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI FROM THE
JUDGMENT OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE
ELEVENTH CIRCUIT**

**TO THE HONORABLE CLARENCE THOMAS, ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF
THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CIRCUIT
JUSTICE FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT**

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 13.5, 22, and 30.3, William Sardinas respectfully requests a thirty-day extension of time, to and including March 30, 2022, within which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari from the judgment of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Mr. Sardinas has not previously sought an extension of time from this Court.

Petitioner is filing this Application at least ten days before the filing date, which is February 18, 2022. *See* S.Ct. R. 13.5. The jurisdiction of this Court will be invoked under 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1).

A copy of the Court of Appeals' Order Denying Certificate of Appealability in Mr. Sardinas' case is attached as Appendix A hereto.

Undersigned counsel will not have sufficient time to file the petition for writ of certiorari for Mr. Sardinas by February 18th due to family matters and competing case concerns. Counsel has been out of state, on leave, for the last month to help care for her new grandchild who was born January 3rd. Currently, counsel is working on another petition for writ of certiorari in *Anthony Bell v. United States*, which is due to be filed February 11th. Thereafter, counsel has two reply briefs due and an upcoming oral argument in cases before the Eleventh Circuit.

Due to these competing family and case matters, additional time will be necessary for the careful preparation of the petition for writ of certiorari in Mr. Sardinas' case.

Mr. Sardinas is incarcerated serving a term of 600 months imprisonment imposed by the district court. No party will be prejudiced by the granting of a thirty-day extension.

Since the time within which to file a petition for writ of certiorari in this case will expire on February 18, 2022, unless extended, Petitioner respectfully requests that an order be entered extending his time to file a petition for writ of certiorari by thirty days, to and including March 30, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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