

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

Washington, D.C. 20530

December 15, 2021

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

Re: John Forrest Ham Jr. v. M. Breckon, Warden,

S.Ct. No. 21-763

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 18, 2021, and placed on the docket on November 23, 2021. The government's response is due on December 23, 2021.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including January 24, 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,

Elizabeth B. Prelogar Solicitor General

cc: See Attached Service List

21-0763 HAM, JOHN FORREST, JR. M. BRECKON, WARDEN

> ARIN M. BRENNER ASSISTANT FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER 210 FIRST STREET, SW SUITE 400 ROANOKE, VA 24011 540-777-0880

PRATIK ARVIND SHAH AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD, LLP 2001 K STREET, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20006 202-887-4210 PSHAH@AKINGUMP.COM