

Washington, D.C. 20530

December 28, 2021

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

> Re: Otha Ray Flowers v. United States of America, S.Ct. No. 21-835

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 30, 2021, and placed on the docket on December 6, 2021. The government's response is due on January 5, 2022.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including February 4, 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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