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Scott S. Harris, Clerk Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20543

Re: Little v. Randolph, No. 21-949

Dear Mr. Harris:

Petitioners seek review in this capital habeas corpus case. Respondent's brief in opposition to the certiorari petition is currently due on January 28, 2022.

Respondent is unable to comply with the current due date because of counsel's heavy workload, family obligations over the recent holiday season, and disruptions due to the recent spike in COVID-19 cases. Counsel represents numerous death-sentenced prisoners in capital habeas corpus proceedings and has had a heavy schedule of competing obligations in these other matters.

Counsel therefore respectfully requests, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, a thirty (30) day extension of time within which to prepare and file the brief in opposition. Undersigned counsel has consulted with counsel for Petitioners, Francis Chardo, who has indicated that he does not object to this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

/s/ Jennifer Chiccarino

Jennifer Chiccarino Assistant Chief, Capital Habeas Unit Counsel for Respondent, Samuel Randolph

cc: Francis Chardo, Esq.