

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

MICHAEL KENNEDY,
Petitioner,

RECEPTION AND MEDICAL CENTER
DATE: 5-27-22
INMATE INITIALS: MK

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CASE NO.: _____

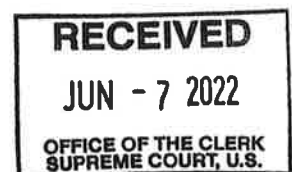
STATE OF FLORIDA
Respondent.

**APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE A PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

To the Hon. Justice Clarence Thomas:

The Petitioner, Michael Kennedy, files an application for a 60-day extension to file a petition for a writ of certiorari for good cause pursuant to Rule 13.5. In support of the application, the Petitioner states:

1. Mr. Kennedy intends to file a petition for writ of certiorari requesting this Court to review the decision of the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals in *Kennedy v. Sec. Department of Corrections*, Case No.: 21-10714-F. Attached as Exhibit "A" is a copy of the opinion of Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals and the order denying a motion for a rehearing.



2. The Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals issued its opinion on February 8, 2022.
Mr. Kennedy filed a motion for rehearing that the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals denied on March 10, 2022.
3. The 90-day period in Rule 13.1 for Mr. Kennedy to file a petition for writ of certiorari expires on June 8, 2022.
4. Mr. Kennedy is an inmate in the Florida Department of Corrections at Reception and Medical Center-Main Unit.
5. Under Fla. Admin. C. 33-501.301 (f) (1) a registered deadline does not begin to run until 20-days prior to the date a pleading is due to be filed in court.
6. Mr. Kennedy's access to the law library is restricted to hours he is not at his assigned work post or approximately three hours per week.
7. Mr. Kennedy is entitled to access to the law library for 12 ½ hours per week after he is within 20-days of the deadline for filing a petition for a writ of certiorari.
8. Thus, Mr. Kennedy was not able to begin work on his petition for a writ of certiorari until May 19, 2022; the date prison rules allowed him additional time in the law library.
9. Because Mr. Kennedy is untrained in the law and does not know how to conduct legal research, the law library staff will assigned an inmate law clerk to

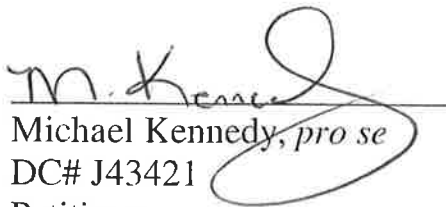
assist him in drafting and filing a petition for a writ of certiorari once Mr. Kennedy is within his 20-day deadline for filing a petition for a writ of certiorari.

10. There is only one law clerk in the Reception and Medical Center-Main Unit law library to assist approximately 1,400 inmates with their federal legal work. The workload of the inmate law clerk will prevent him from providing the necessary assistance to Mr. Kennedy to complete the drafting of Mr. Kennedy's petition for a writ of certiorari by the pending June 8, 2022.

11. Mr. Kennedy's lack of access to the law library and reliance on an overworked law clerk constitute good cause under Rule 13.5 for extending the time for Mr. Kennedy to file a petition for a writ of certiorari with the Court.

Wherefore Mr. Kennedy moves this Court to grant a 60-day extension to file a petition for writ of certiorari.

Respectfully submitted

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Michael Kennedy, *pro se*

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