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The Honorable Scott Harris, Clerk
of the Court United States Supreme Court
Office of the Clerk
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Request for extension of time to file Brief in Opposition
Manuel Ovante, Jr., v. State of Arizona, No. 22-7229

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to United States Supreme Court Rule 30(4), the State of Arizona respectfully requests a first 60-day extension of time to file the Brief in Opposition to Petitioner Manuel Ovante's Petition for Writ of Certiorari. The Brief in Opposition is currently due May 8, 2023. The State of Arizona requests an extension of time to and including July 7, 2023. Ovante's counsel, Garrett Simpson, does not oppose this extension.

The extension is requested due to undersigned counsel's involvement in other capital cases in state and federal courts.

Please see below for service. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter and your consideration.

Sincerely,

s/Jeffrey L. Sparks
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