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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 14-day extension of time to file the Brief in Opposition to Petitioner Manuel Ovante's Petition for Writ of Certiorari. This is the State's third request for an extension of time. The Brief in Opposition is currently due July 21, 2023. The State of Arizona requests an extension of time to and including August 4, 2023. Since the last motion to extend, the State's draft of its brief in opposition has undergone supervisory review. However, 14 additional days are necessary to allow time to complete revisions to the brief and allow for final supervisory review before the brief can be filed.

Counsel for the State Gregory Hazard contacted Garrett Simpson, Counsel of Record for Ovante, but he has not yet given his position to the State's extension request. Therefore, the State respectfully requests an extension of time to file the Brief in Opposition until and including August 4, 2023.

Please see below for service. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter and your consideration. In addition, please note that Laura Chiasson is replacing Jeffrey Sparks as counsel of record for Arizona.

Sincerely,

s/ Laura Chiasson
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