

August 30, 2023

The Honorable Scott S. Harris, Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
One First Street, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20543

**Re: No. 23-156**  
***Speech First, Inc., Petitioner v. Timothy Sands, Individually and in His Official Capacity as President of the University of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University***

Dear Mr. Harris:

Our firm represents the respondent in the above-styled matter, which was docketed by your Office on August 17, 2023. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, I am writing to request a 30-day extension for the due date of our response brief, thereby extending our deadline from Monday, September 18, 2023, to October 18, 2023.

This is respondent's first request for an extension. We have been advised that at least three amicus briefs will be filed in support of the petition. Under Rules 37.2 and 30.1, those amicus briefs are due on Monday, September 18. An extension of time is necessary so that we may review those amicus briefs and use our response brief to address them, if necessary, along with the petition and other matters of likely concern to the Court. No party will be prejudiced by the requested extension.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,



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