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

Re: *Rodney Reed v. State of Texas*, No. 23-569

Dear Mr. Harris,

A response in this death penalty case is due February 28, 2024. Respondent respectfully requests a one-week extension of the present deadline, up to and including March 6, 2024. This is Respondent's third request for an extension in this case. The extension request is not sought for an improper purpose, including harassment or unnecessary delay. Since this Court granted the last extension in this case, undersigned has prepared an answer to a 204-page federal habeas petition in *Tracy v. Lumpkin*, No. 5:20-CV-156 (E.D. Tex.), which will be filed on February 26, 2024. Undersigned is also currently responding to last-minute litigation in the Ivan Cantu case. *See, e.g., In re Cantu*, No. 24-40110 (5th Cir.). The undersigned requires additional time due to his commitments in other cases and because he has devoted a significant amount of time to his supervisory duties within his division. The undersigned conferred with Petitioner's counsel who stated he is not opposed to this request. A copy of this letter will be sent to Petitioner's counsel. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis G. Bragg", written over a horizontal line.

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