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

Re: Roy Christopher West v. United States, 23-5698

Dear Mr. Harris:

On September 7, 2023, Roy West filed a pro se petition for certiorari in the above-captioned case. The United States waived its right to respond to the petition on October 5, 2023. After that waiver, Mr. West retained me to represent him before this Court. I write to inform the Court about information that I believe bears on any action that the Court may take regarding Mr. West's petition.

Mr. West's petition involves a materially identical issue to the question presented in *Dwayne Ferguson v. United States*, 22-1216, a case in which I am co-counsel for petitioner. On August 2, 2023, the Court called for the United States to respond to Ferguson's petition, and the United States' response currently is due on November 6, 2023, after the October 27, 2023 conference for which West's petition was distributed.

Sincerely,

/s/ Madeline Meth

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Counsel for petitioner