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Via E-Filing

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

**Re: *William Glenn Rogers v. Zac Pounds, Warden,*
No. 23-5964**

Dear Mr. Harris,

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, the State of Tennessee respectfully requests an extension of 30 days, to and including January 5, 2024, within which to file its brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari in *Rogers v. Pounds*, No. 23-5964. The Court docketed the petition on November 6, 2023. The State's response is currently due on December 6, 2023.

This is the State of Tennessee's first request for an extension of time. The extension is needed in light of other deadlines and additional conflicts faced by the State's counsel of record, J. Matthew Rice. During the briefing period, Mr. Rice must prepare briefs for *Friends of George's v. Mulroy*, No. 23-5611(CA6), and *Gore v. Lee*, No. 23-5669 (CA6), among other obligations. He

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will also be traveling from November 11-18. The brief delay will not prejudice any party.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, J. Matthew Rice, a member of the Supreme Court Bar, hereby certify that on November 8, 2023, a copy of the attached letter requesting an extension of time within which to file the State of Tennessee's brief in opposition was served by first-class mail, postage pre-paid, on the following counsel:

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