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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: *Cedric Ricks v. Guerrero*, No. 24-7038

Dear Mr. Harris,

A response in this death-penalty case is currently due May 21, 2025. Respondent respectfully requests a thirty-day extension of the present deadline, up to and including Friday, June 20, 2015. This is Respondent's first request for an extension in this case. The extension is not sought for an improper purpose, including harassment or unnecessary delay. Rather, the undersigned attorney requires additional time due to the demands of a capital caseload. The undersigned counsel has been diligently familiarizing herself with thousands of pages of records in the capital federal habeas case *Davis v. Guerrero*, 3:21-CV-2333 (N.D. Tex.). And undersigned counsel has been analyzing recent motions, orders, and objections in that case as well as in another capital federal habeas case, *Calvert v. Guerrero*, 6:21-cv-00436 (E.D. Tex.). The undersigned conferred with Petitioner's counsel, Jeremy Schepers, who stated that he was not opposed to this requested extension. A copy of this letter will be sent to opposing counsel. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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