

Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543

Re: Request for extension of time to file an opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari in *La Dell Grizzell, on behalf of her minor children v. San Elijo Elementary School, et al.* S. Ct. No. 24-812

Dear Mr. Harris,

I am lead counsel for Respondents San Marcos Unified School District and San Elijo Elementary School in this case. I write to request a thirty-day extension on behalf of Respondents to file an opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari in this case. Petitioners filed their petition for writ of certiorari on January 29, 2025 following the granting of Petitioners' application to extend the original petition deadline of December 30, 2024. Respondents' current deadline to file an opposition to the petition is February 28, 2025.

This request for extension is Respondents' first request and is made pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 15.3 and 30.4. Good cause exists for the requested extension. Respondents' lead counsel has numerous other professional commitments prior to the current deadline including:

1. The Deposition of an incarcerated individual in the matter of L.A. v. Poway Unified School District, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2024-00019616-CU-PO-CTL, which requires out of town travel, on February 18, 2025;
2. Oral argument on a motion for summary judgment in the case of Rivers v. Grossmont Union High School District, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2022-00024342-CU-PO-CTL, on February 21, 2025;
3. Mock Trial/Focus Group on San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2022-00008569-CU-PO-NC, on February 24, 2025 for case going to trial April 25, 2025;
4. Mock Trial/Focus Group on San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2022-00008569-CU-PO-NC, on February 26, 2025 for case going to trial April 25, 2025;
5. February 27, 2025 and February 28, 2025, prepaid personal travel out of state.

In addition, counsel is scheduled to attend a number of depositions and hearings on multiple cases on February 21, 25 and 26, 2025.

Additionally, the attorney assigned to assist lead counsel for Respondents' in this case is currently on maternity leave following the birth of her child on January 7, 2025.

The requested extension is necessary to ensure Respondents and its counsel have adequate opportunity to review and respond to the petition for writ of certiorari in light of these other professional and personal commitments. The requested extension will better enable preparation of a response that will be helpful to the Court. There are no circumstances that necessitate a speedy ruling on the Petition.

Accordingly, Respondents request a thirty-day extension of time, to and including March 31, 2025 to file their opposition to the petition for writ of certiorari.¹ Before submitting this letter, I informed Petitioners' counsel Erin E. Murphy of Respondents' intent to request a thirty-day extension. Ms. Murphy informed me by email that Petitioners do not object to the requested third-day extension.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.



Jennifer S. Creighton

¹ Thirty days from February 28, 2025 is March 30, 2025, which is a Sunday. Therefore the deadline would extend to Monday, March 31, 2025, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.1 which provides that “[t]he last day of the period shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday, federal legal holiday listed in 5 U. S. C. § 6103, or day on which the Court building is closed by order of the Court or the Chief Justice, in which event the period shall extend until the end of the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, federal legal holiday, or day on which the Court building is closed.”