

IN THE

**Supreme Court of the United States**

FREE SPEECH COALITION, ET. AL.,

*Petitioners,*

*v.*

KEN PAXTON, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS  
ATTORNEY GENERAL, FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS,

*Respondent.*

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**ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED  
STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH  
CIRCUIT**

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**CONSENT APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE REPLY BRIEF ON THE MERITS**

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To the Honorable Justice Alito, Circuit Justice for the Fifth Circuit:

Pursuant to this Court's Rule 30.3, Petitioners Free Speech Coalition, et al., respectfully request a seven-day enlargement of time to and including December 23, 2024, to file their reply brief on the merits in this case. Respondent Texas does not oppose this request.

The Fifth Circuit entered judgment on March 7, 2024. Petitioners filed a timely petition for certiorari on April 12, 2024, which this Court granted on July 2, 2024. Petitioners filed their opening brief on September 16, 2024, and Respondent filed its brief

on November 15, 2024. The Petitioners' reply brief is currently due to be filed on December 16, 2024. Oral argument in this case is set for January 15, 2025.

Petitioners now respectfully request that the Court grant an extension of time to file their reply brief to December 23, 2024. Good cause exists to support the enlargement due to previously scheduled travel of counsel, other ongoing litigation matters (including deadlines in other matters in this Court, and oral arguments in other courts), and the holidays. Counsel for Respondent has indicated that the undersigned may inform the Court of their consent to the requested enlargement of time. If the requested enlargement is granted, Petitioners' reply brief will still be filed more than three weeks ahead of the scheduled argument date.

For the foregoing reasons, Petitioners respectfully request that the time for filing their reply brief on the merits in this case to be extended to and including December 23, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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