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IN THE

**Supreme Court of the United States**

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Kevin Paul Cantu - Petitioner,

vs.

United States of America - Respondent.

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Application for Extension of Time Within  
Which to File for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals  
for the Eighth Circuit

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**APPLICATION DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICE  
BRETT KAVANAUGH AS CIRCUIT JUSTICE**

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Comes Now petitioner Kevin Paul Cantu, through his attorney of record, Assistant Federal Public Defender Heather Quick, who, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.5, requests an additional thirty days in which to file a petition in this Court seeking certiorari to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, up through Monday, August 18, 2025. In support, counsel submits as follows:

### **JUDGMENT FOR WHICH REVIEW IS SOUGHT**

Petitioner seeks an extension to file a petition for writ of certiorari. Petitioner is requesting review of the judgment issued by the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals on April 18, 2025, affirming the petitioner's conviction and sentence.

### **JURISDICTION**

This Court will have jurisdiction over the timely filed petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1). Under Supreme Court Rules 13.1, 13.3, and 30.1, the current deadline for the filing of a petition for writ of certiorari is Thursday, July 17, 2025. Petitioner files this request for additional time at least 10 days before the date the petition is currently due, in compliance with Supreme Court Rule 13.5.

### **REASONS FOR APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION**

Defense counsel has a variety of other obligations before the federal judiciary. For example, in the last four weeks counsel of record has submitted two appellant's briefs to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals and a reply brief to this Court in another matter. Further, in the next four weeks, counsel of record has nine initial briefs due to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals as well as three additional petitions for writ of certiorari due in other matters to this Court. These obligations will make it difficult

for counsel to finalize and file a satisfactory petition by the current deadline, despite counsel's diligent efforts to do so.

### **CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, the petitioner respectfully requests that this Court grant a 30-day extension, to and including Monday, August 18, 2025, in which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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