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November 27, 2017

The Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543-0001

Re: Minnesota Voters Alliance, et al. v. Mansky, et al., No. 16-1435

Dear Mr. Harris:

On November 13, 2017, the Supreme Court granted the petition for a writ of certiorari in *Minnesota Voters Alliance v. Mansky*. Petitioners' brief on the merits is currently due on December 28, 2017. Petitioners would like to request a modest eight-day extension, so that the merits brief and the joint appendix are due on January 5, 2018. Petitioners' counsel has spoken with Respondents' counsel, who does not oppose the request.

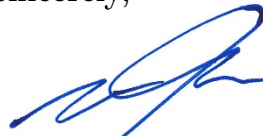
Petitioners' request for a modest extension should be granted. Petitioners' counsel has spoken to a person in the Clerk's office, who informed counsel that the oral argument is likely to be scheduled for the week of February 26, 2018. Petitioners do not seek to change this date, so any extension of time that the Court grants Petitioners will be taken from the time for Petitioners to file their reply brief, and would not interfere with the current schedule of the Court.

Second, a new attorney, J. David Breemer, has joined Petitioners' litigation team as counsel of record and will argue the case before the Supreme Court. The extension will allow Mr. Breemer more time to familiarize himself with the record in this case.

Third, the current due date falls after Thanksgiving and Christmas. Petitioners' counsel are assisted by a team of support staff and operate under a set of internal deadlines to ensure the timely filing of briefs and pleadings before any court. A modest extension would lessen any tension between those deadlines and the holidays.

This Court should grant Petitioners' request of an extension to file the opening brief on the merits and the joint appendix on January 5, 2018.

Sincerely,



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