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*Washington, D.C. 20530*  
December 12, 2017

Honorable Scott S. Harris  
Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Bobby Jo Hardy v. United States of America,  
S.Ct No. 17-6829

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on November 9, 2017, and placed on the docket on November 17, 2017. The government's response is due on December 18, 2017.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including January 17, 2018, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

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Solicitor General

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