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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

December 21, 2017

Mr. Scott S. Harris, Clerk
The Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Jones v. State*, Case No. 17-6943

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, undersigned counsel hereby requests an extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari filed in the above-captioned case. The extension is justified for the following reasons.

The petition was filed on November 28, 2017. The response is due on January 2, 2018. Counsel will not be able to complete it by the filing deadline. Counsel for the State filed the Brief of Respondent Appellee in *Grissom v. Royal*, United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit Case Number 16-6271 on December 19, 2017. The undersigned has also been involved in researching aspects of the State of Oklahoma's petition for writ of certiorari from the case of *Murphy v. Royal*, 875 F.3d 896 (10th Cir. 2017), which is due on February 7, 2018 and involves a complex and important jurisdictional question.

The undersigned was also assigned, on December 19, 2017, the case of *Bryant Jamal Nelson v. State of Oklahoma*, Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals Case Number F-2017-108. The State's response in that case is due on December 29, 2017, on a final extension of time. The case was reassigned to the undersigned after the attorney who was originally assigned to write the brief was unable to do so for medical reasons.

Respondent has also been preparing the State's response to a petition for writ of certiorari in *Wood v. Royal*, No. 17-6891. The response is due on December 29,

