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VIA E-MAIL/U.S. MAIL

Danny Bickell
Office of the Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

Re: Application to Extend Time to Respond to Petition in
Gerald Hand v. Warden,
Case No. 17-7463

Dear Mr. Bickell:

The Attorney General of Ohio, pursuant to Rule 30.4, respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of *certiorari*. This extension would move the response date from Friday, February 16, 2018, to **Monday, March 19, 2017**.

Counsel seeks this extension because of a heavy caseload in matters before this Court and the Sixth Circuit. This brief delay will not prejudice any party.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully yours,

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cc: Jacob A. Cairns, Counsel for Petitioner