

January 3, 2018

Via Electronic Filing and Regular Mail

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

Re: No. 17-747, *Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. v. Stephen Wendell, et ux.*

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel of record for the plaintiffs Stephen Wendell and Lisa Wendell, the respondents in this case. The response to the petition is currently due on January 19, 2018. I am writing to request a two-week extension of the deadline to file a response, to and including February 2, 2018. The petitioner does not oppose this request.

My firm has principal responsibility for preparing the response. We were not involved in this case in the appellate or district courts below, and, given the additional filing of several amicus briefs in support of the petition, a short extension is necessary to allow us to adequately prepare the response. In addition, we have had changes to proximate deadlines and obligations that have prevented and will continue to prevent us from devoting adequate time to the response absent an extension. These deadlines include an opening brief in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (due on January 19, 2018), an amicus brief for *Janus v. AFSCME* in this Court (also due on January 19), and an oral argument in the Third Circuit that is now scheduled for January 24, 2018. A two-week extension will allow me and my colleagues to balance these other responsibilities with our obligations in this case.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Matthew W.H. Wessler

cc: William M. Jay