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

Re: Motion to Extend Time to Respond to Petition in *United States v. Jason Daniel Sims*, United States Supreme Court Case No. 17-766

Dear Mr. Harris:

On November 21, 2017, the government filed a petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case. Respondent Sims's response was due on December 26, 2017. However, counsel for Respondent Sims requested a 30-day extension to respond to the petition for a writ of certiorari, which this Court granted. His response is now due on January 25, 2018. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, counsel for Respondent Sims respectfully request a further extension of time to and including February 26, 2018, within which to file a response.

Counsel for Respondent Sims makes this request because of counsel's current workload. Counsel has also been out of the office due to holidays and poor weather conditions.

Further, counsel cannot perceive any prejudice that would occur to either party by the granting of this extension.

Sincerely,

/s/ Chris Tarver
Chris Tarver
Senior Litigator

cc: Noel J. Francisco, Solicitor General of the United States