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The Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk of Court, Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Boyer v. Vannoy*, No. 17-7930

Dear Mr. Harris:

This Court has requested a response from the Respondent, Warden Darrel Vannoy (the State), in this matter. This Court has granted a request for an extension once before. The undersigned rarely requests second extensions for court filings, but the State needs one here.

The Attorney General became involved in this matter around May 7, 2018. A speedy trial argument underlies the issues before this Court and the state court record includes 28 volumes. The complex issues before this Court, including the undersigned's other responsibilities (including oral argument in *Seals v. McBee*, 17-30667 (5th Cir. June 4, 2018) and working on an unexpected petition for rehearing *en banc* in *Langley v. Prince*, -- F.3d --, 2018 U.S. App. LEXIS 12511 (5th Cir. May 14, 2018)), have made it difficult to provide this Court with the response that this case deserves by Monday.

The State is requesting a 21-day extension, which would make the brief in opposition due July 9, 2018. The current due date is June 18, 2018. The undersigned has spoken with counsel for the Petitioner and he has graciously agreed not to oppose this request for an extension.

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