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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

AARON NEAL SAFFORD,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT

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To the Honorable Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and Circuit Justice for the Tenth Circuit:

Petitioner Aaron Neal Safford, by undersigned counsel, prays for a 60-day extension of time, to and including May 28, 2018, in which to file a petition for a writ of certiorari. In support of this request, counsel states as follows:

1. On December 27, 2017, the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit affirmed the denial of Defendant's 2255 Motion. Attachment A. Rehearing was not sought.
2. Mr. Safford has ninety days from December 27, 2017, to petition for a writ of certiorari. Sup. Ct. R. 13.3. The petition is therefore due on March 27, 2018. This application is being filed at least ten days before that date.
3. The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1).
4. Undersigned counsel believes an extension of time will be needed to adequately prepare Mr. Safford's petition for writ of certiorari. Since December 27, 2017, undersigned counsel has filed an opening briefs in *United States v. Iverson*, 17-8086 on January 24, 2018 and in *United States v. Neely*, 17-8087 on February 23, 2018; reply briefs in *United States v. Giannukos*, 17-3067 on January 2, 2018, and *United States v. Pacheco-Donelson*, No. 17-1180 on March 2, 2018; a petition for rehearing in *United States v. Buck*, 16-8103 on January 5, 2018; and a Petition for a

Writ of Certiorari in *United States v. Westover*, 17-8013 on January 29, 2018. Counsel had oral arguments on January 16, 2018 in *United States v. Driscoll*, 16-8118, and February 15, 2018 in *United States v. Green*, Case No. 17-6001.

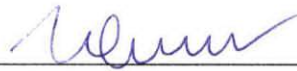
5. During the requested extension period, undersigned counsel has opening briefs due in *United States v. Harring*, 17-5091 on April 19, 2018, *United States v. Daniels*, 17-1380, on March 26, 2018 and in *United States v. Thompson*, 18-1002, on April 2, 2018. Counsel is preparing for oral arguments in *United States v. Murphy*, 17-8010, to be held on March 22, 2018, and *United States vs. Giannukos*, 17-3067, to be held on March 22, 2018. Counsel has petitions for writ of certiorari due in *United States v. Robinson*, 17-6046, due April 9, 2018, *United States v. Thompson*, 17-6018, on April 9, 2018, *United States v. Couchman*, 17-2011, due on April 10, 2018, and in *United States v. Buck*, 16-8103, due on April 11, 2018. Counsel also, has a response to Appellee's Motion for Enforcement of Plea Agreement in *United States v. Smith*, 17-1414, due on April 11, 2018 and a reply to Petitioner's Writ of Habeas Corpus Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 due in *Rodriguez-Caro v. Spurlock, et al.*, 17-cv-2758-RBJ on May 2, 2018.

6. The requested extension of time is for sixty days, to and including May 28, 2018. See Sup. Ct. R. 13.5 (authorizing extension of up to sixty days for the filing of a petition for writ of certiorari).

WHEREFORE Aaron Neal Safford respectfully requests that an order be entered extending his time in which to petition for certiorari by sixty days, to and including May 28, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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