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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

STEVEN A. DeLOGE – PETITIONER

VS.

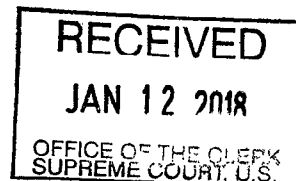
DeSOTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, et al. – RESPONDENTS

**APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

COMES NOW Petitioner, Steven A. DeLoge, *pro se*, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.3 and prays this Court to grant an extension of time to file a petition for writ of certiorari to the Mississippi Court of Appeals.

In support of this application, Petitioner states as follows:

Petitioner filed a civil action in the DeSoto County Chancery Court of Mississippi and the complaint was dismissed. Petitioner appealed and on March 14, 2017, the decision of the chancery court was affirmed by the Court of Appeals of the State of Mississippi. (See attached copy of Order of the Court of Appeals of the State of Mississippi affirming judgment).



Petitioner filed a Motion for Rehearing in the Court of Appeals of the State Mississippi which was denied on July 18, 2017. Petitioner then filed a petition for writ of certiorari seeking discretionary review in the highest state court available, the Mississippi Supreme Court. On October 26, 2017, the Mississippi Supreme Court denied the petition. (See attached copy of Order of the Supreme Court of Mississippi denying certiorari).

Supreme Court Rule 13 allows 90 days from the judgment denying discretionary review by a state court of last resort. Petitioner calculates that his deadline to file in this Court is January 24, 2018.

Petitioner is diligently working to prepare a cogent application for writ of certiorari in this Court but is experiencing hindrances unique to his situation of being incarcerated in the Wyoming State Penitentiary. In particular, Petitioner is provided access to just two word processors that must be shared by 80 other inmates. After working full time at his mandatory prison job, petitioner must wait his turn to use the computers. Additionally, the Wyoming Penitentiary is experiencing a severe staff shortage and unscheduled lock-downs have become frequent occurrences. More often than not, when Petitioner would normally be working on the computer, he is forced to remain in his cell due to a lock down of the facility for lack of adequate staff. These conditions are preventing Petitioner from completing his petition on time.

Finally, when the petition is completed, Petitioner must formally request copying services for his documents and attachments by inter-institution mail, and wait upon pick-up and delivery by the law librarian. Wyoming Penitentiary does not have inmate access to the law library, and all inmate services are by written request using specialized forms.

Petitioner asserts that his issues are relevant and meritorious and deserve review in this Court.

Petitioner asserts that his request for extension of time is not interposed for purposes of delay and that the opposing parties will not be inconvenienced thereby.

WHEREFORE for the foregoing reasons, Petitioner requests that this Court grant an one-time extension of 60 days in which to file his application for writ of certiorari.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of January, 2018.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'S. DeLogé', is written over a horizontal line.

Steven A. DeLogé, Petitioner