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

Re: *James Hall v. John Merrill, Ala. Sec'y of State*, No. 18-1362

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing to request an extension of 30 days, to and including June 29, 2019, for the filing of the Secretary of State's brief in opposition in the above-captioned case. Unless an extension is granted, the Secretary's brief in opposition will be due May 30, 2019.

Counsel of record, Edmund LaCour, has only recently taken over the case after the attorney who was responsible for the appeal left the office. Mr. LaCour requires additional time to research the record and legal issues presented in this case. Moreover, between now and the current due date of the brief, Mr. LaCour has substantial briefing and oral argument obligations.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Edmund G. LaCour Jr.
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cc: David I. Schoen