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

Re: *McDonough v. Smith*, No. 18-485

Dear Mr. Harris:

We represent petitioner Edward McDonough in the above-referenced petition for certiorari. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 15.5, petitioner waives the 14-day waiting period and requests that the petition and brief in opposition be distributed to the Court without delay for its consideration. We will submit a reply to the brief in opposition as soon as possible so that the Court will have full briefing well in advance of its Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Neal K. Katyal in black ink, followed by the initials "/kw".

Neal K. Katyal  
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