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The Honorable Jordan "Danny" Bickell, Deputy Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Office of the Clerk
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Haynes v. Davis*, No. 18-6471

Dear Mr. Bickell:

A response in this death-penalty case is due November 28, 2018. The respondent respectfully requests a thirty-day extension of the present deadline. If granted, the response will be due December 28, 2018. The undersigned requests this continuance because of a combination of the undersigned's capital caseload and the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. The undersigned's mother was also recently hospitalized, during which time the undersigned was out of the office and unable to work on the instant brief in opposition.

The respondent has not previously requested an extension in this case, and the present request is not sought for an improper purpose, including delay. The undersigned has conferred with the petitioner's counsel, Mr. Richard Ellis, who is not opposed to the requested extension. A copy of this letter will be sent to Mr. Ellis.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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