



**U.S. Department of Justice
Office of the Solicitor General**

Washington, D.C. 20530

January 30, 2019

Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Noris Babb v. Robert Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,
S.Ct No. 18-882

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on January 7, 2019, and placed on the docket on January 9, 2019. The government's response is due on February 8, 2019.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including March 11, 2019, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: See Attached Service List

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