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VIA E-FILE AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

Scott S. Harris, Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
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Re: *Ayestas v. Davis*, No. 19-569
Motion to Extend Time to File Response to Petition for Writ of
Certiorari

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent respectfully moves for an extension of the time for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari in *Ayestas v. Davis*, No. 19-569.

The Petition was filed in this Court on October 29, 2019, and placed on the docket October 30, 2019. A response to the Petition is currently due on November 29, 2019. A 45-day extension, until January 13, 2020, is needed because undersigned counsel only recently returned to work from paternity leave and the press of business from numerous, complex matters with deadlines near the current deadline require significant time and attention from the undersigned counsel and other counsel assisting with this matter:

- *Texas A & M University v. Doe*, No. 10-19-00057-CV (Tex. App.—Waco): Oral argument on November 14, 2019.
- *Jones v. Davis*, 19-6465 (U.S.): Respondent's brief in opposition due November 30, 2019.
- *Nettles v. GTECH Corporation*, No. 17-1010: Oral argument on December 3, 2019.

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- *Banister v. Davis*, No. 18-6943 (U.S.): Oral argument on December 4, 2019.
- *State v. Signal Drilling, LLC*, No. _____ (Tex.): Petition for review due December 14, 2019.
- *Bailey v. Smith*, No. 19-0695 (Tex.): Respondent's brief in opposition due December 16, 2019.
- *Brackeen v. Bernhardt*, No. 18-11479 (5th Cir.): en banc supplemental brief due January 7, 2019.

In addition, counsel will be out of the office for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

No prejudice would arise from the requested extension, and the Petitioner does not oppose this extension.

For the foregoing reasons, Respondent respectfully requests an extension of the deadline for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari, creating a new deadline of January 13, 2019.

Sincerely,

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