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

Re: *United States v. Riley Briones, Jr.*, No. 19-720

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am counsel of record for Respondent Riley Briones, Jr. in the above-captioned matter. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, I am writing to request a 30-day extension of time to file Respondent's brief in opposition to certiorari.

The petition for certiorari was docketed on December 6, 2019, after Petitioner received two 30-day extensions. The deadline for Respondent to oppose the petition is January 6, 2020. If the requested extension of time is granted, Respondent's brief in opposition would be due on February 5, 2020. Counsel of record for Petitioner has consented to this request for extension of time.

Respondent respectfully requests this extension for several reasons. First, the associate previously working on this case is on parental leave and another associate will need to familiarize herself with the case. Second, the additional time is required due to pre-existing obligations in other matters. Finally, the timing of the holidays and concomitant family commitments pose an additional strain.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Melanie L. Bostwick

Melanie L. Bostwick

cc: Counsel for Petitioner (via overnight mail and email)