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April 5, 2021

Hon. Danny Bickell
Deputy Clerk for Practice and Procedure
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

*** CAPITAL CASE ***

Re: request for extension of time to file brief in opposition
Alan Dale Walker v. Mississippi, No. 20-1306

Dear Mr. Bickell:

I serve as counsel of record for Respondent in the above captioned case. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari was docketed on March 19, 2021. Pursuant to Rule 15.3 of the Rules of this Court, a response is currently due on April 19, 2021. Pursuant to Rule 30.4, Respondent respectfully requests an extension of 30 days, up to and until May 19, 2021, within which to file its Brief in Opposition. As grounds therefor, Respondent submits the following:

On behalf of Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch, I have been working diligently to provide the Court with a complete Brief in Opposition. An extension of time is necessary because I have a number of competing obligations within the coming weeks, including briefing deadlines in death penalty cases on direct appeal and on federal habeas review.

This request is not made for undue delay, and Petitioner will not be prejudiced by this extension. Undersigned counsel contacted counsel for Petitioner who does not oppose Respondent's request for an extension of time. Please contact me should you have any questions regarding this submission.

Sincerely,

/s/ LaDonna Holland

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