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VIA E-FILE AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

Scott S. Harris, Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543
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Re: *Sheppard v. Lumpkin*, No. 20-6786, 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 a second extension of the time for filing a response to the petition for writ of certiorari in *Sheppard v. Lumpkin*, No. 20-6786.

The response is currently due on March 5, 2021. A 31-day extension, until April 5, 2021, is needed because of the press of business from numerous complex matters with deadlines near the current deadline, which require significant time and attention from the undersigned counsel and other counsel assisting with this matter. Those matters include the appellant's reply brief in *Lewis v. Hughs*, No. 20-50654, to be filed in the Fifth Circuit on March 2, 2021, and the appellant's reply brief in *Texas Alliance of Retired Americans v. Hughs*, No. 20-40643, to be filed in the Fifth Circuit on March 3, 2021.

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

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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 April 5, 2021.

Sincerely,

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