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December 10, 2020

Honorable Danny Bickell, Deputy Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Office of the Clerk  
1 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *James Calvert v. Texas*, No. 20-701

Dear Mr. Bickell:

This is to request a thirty-day extension of time, up to and including January 20, 2021, in which to file a brief in opposition in the above-styled cause. The Court docketed the petition for a writ of certiorari on November 20, 2020. The undersigned was not involved in the underlying appeal but was recently asked by Smith County District Attorney's Office to respond to Calvert's petition for certiorari in this Court. This is a death penalty case, with a voluminous record, several volumes of which are sealed and not yet available to the undersigned. In addition, the undersigned will be out of the office for the next week to help care for her mother while she recovers from hip replacement surgery. Thus, the undersigned requests additional time to file the brief in opposition in the above-styled cause. This is the first extension of time requested by the Director.

The undersigned has conferred with counsel for petitioner, David DeBruin, and he stated that the requested extension is unopposed. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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