



December 29, 2021

Danny Bickell Office of the Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, NE Washington, DC 20543

Re: Application to Extend Time to Respond to Petition in

Freddie McNeill, Jr. v. Margaret Bagley, Warden,

Case No. 21-6688

Dear Mr. Bickell:

Respondent, pursuant to Rule 30.4, respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari. This extension would move the response date from Thursday, January 20, 2022, to **Tuesday, February 22, 2022** (February 19, 2022 falls on a Saturday, and February 21, 2022 is a federal legal holiday).

Counsel seeks this extension because of a heavy caseload in matters before this Court and the Ohio Supreme Court. This brief delay will not prejudice any party. Counsel for Petitioner has informed Respondent that this request is unopposed.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully yours,

Dave Yost Attorney General of Ohio

/s/ Benjamin M. Flowers

Benjamin M. Flowers Ohio Solicitor General

Justin Thompson, Petitioner's Counsel