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In The
Supreme Court of the United States

VERNON FIEHLER

Petitioner,

v.

T. ANTHONY MECKLENBURG, ET AL.,

Respondents.

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari
to the Supreme Court of Alaska

**APPLICATION TO THE HONORABLE ELENA KAGAN FOR AN
EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO FILE
A PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO
THE SUPREME COURT OF ALASKA**

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To the Honorable Elena Kagan, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and Circuit Justice for the Ninth Circuit:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.5, Petitioner Vernon Fiehler respectfully requests an extension of time of 60 days to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this Court, up to and including June 27, 2024.

JUDGMENT FOR WHICH REVIEW IS SOUGHT

The opinion and judgment for which review is sought is *Fiehler v. Mecklenburg*, 538 P.3d 706 (Alaska 2023) (attached as Exhibit 1). The Supreme Court of Alaska denied Petitioner's timely petition for rehearing on January 29, 2024. (The denial is attached as Exhibit 2.) A Petition for Writ of Certiorari is therefore presently due in this Court on April 28, 2024. This application for an extension of time is filed more than ten days prior to that date.

JURISDICTION

This case is an appeal from a final judgment entered against Petitioner by the Supreme Court of Alaska, which decided as a matter of federal law that it had jurisdiction over the dispute. *See Fiehler*, 538 P.3d at 713. This Court has jurisdiction over the question under 28 U.S.C. § 1257.

REASONS FOR GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

Good cause exists for the requested extension. During the proceedings below, Petitioner was represented by different counsel. Petitioner retained Caleb Kruckenberg and the Center for Individual Rights on March 13, 2024, as substitute counsel. Mr. Kruckenberg is currently counsel of record, but needs more time to review the record and decision below to be able to adequately present the facts and

issues for this Court's consideration. This is Petitioner's first request for an extension of time.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner requests that this Court grant an extension of 60 days, up to and including June 27, 2024, within which he may file a petition for writ of certiorari.

DATED: April 11, 2024.

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