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*Via Electronic Filing*

Hon. Scott S. Harris  
Clerk of the Court  
Supreme Court of the United States  
1 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Fields v. Plappert*, No. 23-6912 (capital case)

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am Counsel of Record for Respondent Laura Plappert in the above-referenced matter. The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed on March 4, 2024, and was placed on the docket on March 6, 2024. A brief in opposition is currently due on April 5, 2024.

Under Rule 30.4, Respondent Plappert requests a 31-day extension, until May 6, 2024, to file a brief in opposition. The press of other litigation matters makes timely submission of a brief in opposition difficult absent an extension. Undersigned counsel is currently responsible in the near term for, among other things: filing a reply brief in *Kentucky v. EPA*, No. 23-5343 (6th Cir.); filing a summary-judgment response in *Foresight Coal Sales, LLC v. Chandler*, No. 3:21-cv-16 (E.D. Ky.); and filing a show-cause response in *Commonwealth v. Riley*, No. 2022-SC-0505 (Ky.).

Petitioner Samuel Fields consents to this request.

Sincerely,  
s/ Matthew F. Kuhn  
Solicitor General of Kentucky

cc: Daniel Kirsch