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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: David Eugene Matthews v. Laura Plappert, Interim Warden,  
No. 23-7206

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am Counsel of Record for Respondent (Laura Plappert, Interim Warden) in the above-referenced matter. The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was docketed on April 11, 2024. A brief in opposition is currently due on May 13, 2024.

Under Rule 30.4, Respondent requests a 30-day extension, until Wednesday, June 12, 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 merit briefs in *Hester v. Commonwealth*, No. 2023-CA-0131-MR (Ky. App.); *Hart v. Commonwealth*, No. 2023-CA-1475-MR (Ky. App.); and *Haleman v. Commonwealth*, No. 2023-SC-0397-MR (Ky.).

Counsel of Record for Mr. Matthews has consented to this request.

Sincerely,  
s/ Matthew R. Krygiel  
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cc: David M. Barron