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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

RANSON LONG PUMPKIN,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES
COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

**PETITIONER'S APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

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*To the Honorable Brett M. Kavanaugh, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the
United States and Circuit Justice for the Eighth Circuit:*

Petitioner, Ranson Long Pumpkin, respectfully applies to this Court for an order extending the time in which to file his petition for writ of certiorari from July 20, 2023 until August 19, 2023, a period of thirty (30) days. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §1257. In support of this Application, Mr. Long Pumpkin states as follows:

1. Mr. Long Pumpkin is incarcerated under convictions of carjacking resulting in serious bodily injury, and discharge of a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence. On December 30, 2022, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit issued an opinion in Case No. 20-2743. On April 21, 2023, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit entered an order denying an application for panel rehearing and rehearing *en banc*.

2. Mr. Long Pumpkin raises an important question concerning his right to confrontation as protected by the Confrontation Clause of the Sixth Amendment of the United States Constitution and his constitutional right to a fair trial.

2. Mr. Long Pumpkin now seeks a writ of certiorari for the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit with respect to its decision. This Court’s jurisdiction to grant the same arises pursuant to 28 U.S. C. § 1254 (1).

3. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.3, Mr. Long Pumpkin’s petition for writ of certiorari to is due on or before July 20, 2023. Petitioner’s counsel needs additional

time to properly describe and present his Confrontation Clause issue. Mr. Long Pumpkin's counsel accepted his case pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) and represented him at trial and on appeal pursuant to his CJA appointment. Counsel has attempted to attend to the necessary research and drafting of Mr. Long Pumpkin's petition in a timely manner. However, the demands of his private practice, including taking several CJA appointed cases to jury trial in the past few months, has left him with inadequate time to draft Mr. Long Pumpkin's petition. Therefore, Petitioner seeks an extension of thirty (30) days in which to file his petition for a writ of certiorari. This Court may grant this extension pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.5.

4. In accordance with Supreme Court Rule 13.5, this Application is submitted at least ten (10) days prior to the present due date. Further, the requested extension is made in good faith and not for the purposes of delay.

Wherefore, in the interest of justice and for good cause shown, counsel for Mr. Crowe respectfully requests this Court extend the current July 20, 2023 deadline until August 19, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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