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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: *White v. Plappert*, No. 25-426 (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 September 26, 2025, and was placed on the docket on October 8, 2025. A brief in opposition is currently due on November 7, 2025.

Under Rule 30.4, Respondent requests a 45-day extension, until December 22, 2025, to file a brief in opposition. The attorney who handled this death-penalty matter below has accepted new employment, which requires undersigned counsel to get up to speed on this case. The press of other litigation matters also 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: giving two oral arguments this month in the Kentucky Supreme Court; filing a brief in opposition in *Hodge v. Plappert* (not yet docketed); filing an appellee brief in *Welch v. Plappert*, No. 24-6022 (6th Cir.); filing an appellee brief in *Marcum v. Crews*, No. 25-5840 (6th Cir.); and filing an amicus brief in *Roake v. Brumley*, No. 24-30706 (5th Cir.).

Petitioner Karu Gene White does not oppose this request.

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

cc: Opposing counsel