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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

August 6, 2025

Mr. Scott S. Harris, Clerk
The Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Lay v. Oklahoma*, Case No. 25-5033

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, undersigned counsel hereby requests an extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari filed in the above-captioned case. The extension is justified for the following reasons.

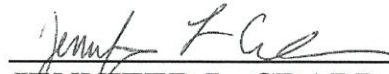
The petition was docketed on July 7, 2025. The brief in opposition is due on August 6, 2025. Counsel for the State will not be able to complete the brief by the filing deadline for the following reasons. On July 7, 2025, this Court provided Petitioner with notice that his petition had been docketed and instructed him to notify the State. On July 28, 2025, Petitioner wrote a letter to this Court indicating he would comply with the notice requirement. *See* Exhibit 1. The envelope in which Petitioner mailed the petition to the State was postmarked July 31, 2025, and was received by the State on August 5, 2025. *See* Exhibit 2.

Petitioner's delay in notifying the State that his petition was docketed prevents the State from responding timely. Accordingly, the State respectfully requests an additional thirty days, or until September 5, 2025, in which to file its brief in opposition.



Respectfully Submitted,

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