

December 17, 2025

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

Re: Donna Elizabeth Summers v. State of Montana, No. 25-588

Dear Mr. Harris:

Under Supreme Court Rule 30.4, Respondent State of Montana respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time to file a brief in opposition to Petitioner's petition for a writ of certiorari, up to and including February 15, 2026. Petitioner's counsel does not object to this request. Respondent requests an extension for the following two reasons.

First, an extension of time is necessary. Counsel is currently on paternity leave until January 5, 2026. Counsel also has family travel planned from January 14-16, 2026.

Second, the requested extension will not prejudice the petitioner, who sought and obtained a similar extension of time to file his petition for a writ of certiorari. Rather, the extension will enable Respondent to prepare a brief that fully and concisely responds to the issues raised in the petition.

For these reasons, Respondent requests that the Clerk grant a 30-day extension of time, up to and including February 15, 2026, to file a brief in opposition to the petition for certiorari.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christian B. Corrigan

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cc: Fred A. Rowley Jr. (Counsel of Record for Petitioner)