



**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
APPELLATE DIVISION**

August 21, 2026

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

Re: *Ernest N. Lotches v. Corey Fhuere, Superintendent, Oregon State Penitentiary, 25-7667*

Dear Mr. Harris,

I am counsel for Corey Fhuere, Superintendent of the Oregon State Penitentiary, the respondent in this matter. I write to request a 43-day extension of time to file the brief in opposition. The brief is currently due September 3, 2026. Granting this request would make the brief due October 16, 2026. Additional time is needed due to competing deadlines in other matters and to thoroughly research and prepare the response to the petition in this case. Counsel for petitioner was contacted and does not object to this request for an extension of time.

Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter.

/s/ Ryan Kahn

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