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In the
Supreme Court of the United States

GARNELL WALLS,

Petitioner,

v.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, et al.,

Respondents.

**On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit**

**APPLICATION TO THE HONORABLE JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR.,
CHIEF JUSTICE, FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO
FILE A PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

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To the Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and Circuit Justice for the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.5, Petitioner Garnell Walls respectfully requests an extension of time of 30 days to file his Petition for a Writ of Certiorari in this Court up to and including July 22, 2026.

RULE 29.6 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Petitioner Garnell Walls is a natural person.

JUDGMENT FOR WHICH REVIEW IS SOUGHT

The judgment for which review is sought is *Walls v. Prince George's County*, No. 25-1121, 2026 WL 497988 (4th Cir. Feb. 23, 2026) (attached as Exhibit 1). Judgment was entered on February 23, 2026. The Fourth Circuit denied Petitioner's timely petition for rehearing or rehearing en banc on March 23, 2026 (attached as Exhibit 2). The current deadline within which to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari is June 22, 2026. This application for an extension of time is filed more than ten days in advance of that date.

JURISDICTION

This case arises under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, the equivalent provisions of the Maryland Constitution, and 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Petitioner Garnell Walls alleges that actions by Respondents took his private property without the payment of just compensation. The Fourth Circuit held that his constitutional claim was not ripe for determination because he failed to exhaust legislative remedies (i.e., he failed to seek a change in the law that applied

to his property), and upheld the district court's dismissal of the case. This Court has jurisdiction over the decision of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1254.

REASONS FOR GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

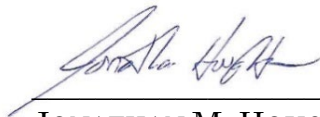
Good cause exists for the requested extension. Pacific Legal Foundation attorneys were only recently retained to represent the Petitioner. Consequently, Petitioner's Counsel of Record, Jonathan Houghton, requires extra time to file a Petition in this case in order to fully review the entire record below, craft the petition, and meet other deadlines and professional obligations. This is the Petitioner's first request for an extension of time.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner requests that this Court grant an extension of 30 days, up to and including July 22, 2026, within which to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari.

DATED: May 15, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



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