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Scott S. Harris, Clerk of the Court
Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *James A. DeLanis, Petitioner v. Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, et al.*, Case Nos. 23-5948 and 23-5939

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am writing on behalf of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, the Respondent in the above-referenced proceeding. In accordance with Supreme Court Rules 15.3 and 30.4, I write to request an extension of time for the filing of a brief in opposition to the Petitioner's petition for a writ of certiorari. As required by Rule 30.4, Respondent presents this request in the form of a letter to the Clerk.

After receiving a sixty-day extension to file his petition for a writ of certiorari, Petitioner James A. DeLanis filed his petition for writ of certiorari on June 29, 2026. This case was docketed on July 7, 2026. The current deadline for Respondent to file a brief in opposition is August 6, 2026. Respondent respectfully seeks an extension of thirty days of that deadline. Because the thirty-day period ends on a Saturday, under Supreme Court Rule 30.1, the new deadline for Respondent to file a brief in opposition would be Monday, September 7, 2026.

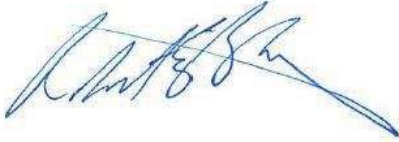
Counsel for Respondent have several unforeseen scheduling conflicts and existing professional obligations in other matters that are limiting the time available to prepare a comprehensive brief in opposition. The additional time requested will enable Respondent to provide this Court with a thorough and complete presentation of its position on the merits of the petition. This is the first extension Respondent has sought in this matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Boston", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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