



October 21, 2026

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

Re: *Cameron Johnson v. A. Scott Fleming*, No. 26-240

Dear Mr. Harris:

We typically consent to reasonable extension requests. But the ongoing harm that Petitioners are suffering and Respondents' previously filed waiver change the calculus here. Accordingly, we oppose Respondents' request for a 30-day extension.

Petitioners filed their petition on August 20, 2026. Four days later, Respondents requested and received an additional 30 days to respond to the related petition in *Hall v. Fleming*, No. 26-193, moving that deadline from September 14, 2026, to October 14, 2026. But Respondents made no similar request here. Instead, they waived their right to respond on September 23, 2026, the day before that response was due, prompting the Court to request a response.

The current November 4, 2026 deadline for a response is 76 days after the petition was filed and 21 days after Respondents filed an opposition brief in *Hall*. One of the two questions presented here mirrors the only question presented by the *Hall* petition. Given the overlap, Respondents' request for a total of 106 days to respond to the petition here is unreasonable, especially as Petitioners suffer irreparable harm and lost tuition grants while the resolution of this case is delayed.

The *Hall* petitioners plan to file their reply brief in time for the petition there to be distributed for the November 13, 2026 conference. But granting Respondents an additional 30 days in this case would delay the conferencing of the *Johnson* petition until January 8, 2027. That schedule would make it difficult for the petition to be granted and argued this term, which risks extending Petitioners' ongoing harm until well into 2028.

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Consequently, Petitioners ask the Court to keep this case on a similar timeline with the *Hall* case by denying Respondents' request for a 30-day extension. If the Court is inclined to grant an extension, it should limit that extension to ensure that the Court can consider the petition at the December 4, 2026 conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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