

No.

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

DENNIS HODGES, AN INDIVIDUAL,

Applicant,

v.

TODD GLORIA,

Respondent.

*Application For an Extension of Time to File a Petition For
Writ of Certiorari*

*TO THE HONORABLE ELENA KAGAN, ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES*

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**TO THE HONORABLE ELENA KAGAN, ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES:**

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 13.5, Applicant Dennis Hodges respectfully request a 60-day extension of time to and including October 9, 2026, to file a petition for a writ of certiorari. In support of this request, Counsel states as follows:

1. On May 12, 2026, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals denied the En Banc Petition Rehearing. (Attachment A.)

2. Petitioner has 90 days from that date to file a petition for a writ of certiorari. *See* Sup. Ct. R. 13.3. The petition is therefore due on August 10, 2026. This application is being filed at least ten days before that date.

3. The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U.S.C. § 1257.

4. Good cause supports the requested extension. Due to the workload of the attorneys in this small firm, the extension is needed to prepare and file the petition.

5. Undersigned counsel continues to face significant professional obligations that make it impracticable to complete the petition by the current deadline. For example, Robert Tyler, the lead counsel, has a previously scheduled mediation in *Murrieta Teachers Association v. Murrieta Valley Unified School District*, Unfair Practice Charge No. LA-CE-7095-E, on August 6, 2026, with the Public Employment Relations Board. He has a dispositive hearing in *Bake & Rockfield, LLC v. Monopoly Business Park Association*, case no. 30-2022-01243053-CU-CO-CJC, in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Orange – Central Justice Center, on

August 6, 2026. Mr. Tyler is also involved in a novel dispute before various California courts, including the California Supreme Court, concerning the counting of ballots that has resulted in multiple emergency petitions and expedited briefing schedules that has dominated his time over the previous two months. *See Attorney General of the State of California v. Bianco (Chad), et al.*, Supreme Court of California, Case No. S295901; *Clarissa Cervantes, et al., v. Chad Bianco, et al.*, Supreme Court of California, Case No. S295866; and *Attorney General of the State of California, et al., v. Chad Bianco, et al.*, California Superior Court of Riverside County, Case No. CVRI2601580. In addition, Mr. Tyler has a previously scheduled family vacation during this period.

6. Joel Oster's schedule has also made his work on this petition for certiorari impracticable. He has a hearing on an abatement proceeding before the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Riverside – Historic Courthouse, Case No. CVRI2102535 on July 21, 2026, which has required extensive preparation. In addition, he is now counsel of record in *Biden v. Byrne*, before the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Case No. 2:23-cv-09430-SVW-PD which is requiring his immediate attention as he was brought in to take over a case after a previous attorney had been fired. This case is now requiring several time sensitive pleadings. In addition, Mr. Oster has traveled internationally teaching CLEs and just returned from a CLE class in Nuremberg Germany where he taught on the Nuremberg trials, and has a CLE scheduled in Juneau, Alaska on August 31

which will require significant time to prepare and attend. These classes were scheduled two years in advance and had multiple attorney sign-ups and is not something that could be altered without disrupting several attorney's schedules.

6. Given these obligations, additional time is necessary to ensure that the petition is thoroughly researched, carefully drafted, and fully protective of Applicant's rights. This request is made in good faith and not for the purpose of delay.

7. The extension would not exceed the maximum 60-day extension authorized by Supreme Court Rule 13.5 and 28 U.S.C. § 2101(c).

8. Applicant informed Respondent of this request and Respondent does not oppose this request.

For these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that an order be entered extending the time in which to petition for a writ of certiorari by 60 days, to and including October 9, 2026. *See* Sup. Ct. R. 13.5.

Dated: July 20, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am a member in good standing of the bar of this Court and that on this 20th day of July, 2026, I caused one copy of the Application for an Extension of Time to File a Petition for Writ of Certiorari to be served electronically to the counsel below, pursuant to Rule 29.5 of the Rules of this Court. All parties required to be served have been served.

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