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

Re: Carpenter v. Murphy, No. 17-1107 (Capital Case)
Opposed Request for Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Harris:

In this capital case, the Court previously granted a joint request to establish a briefing schedule that had Petitioner's Merits Brief and Joint Appendix due July 23, 2018 and Respondent's Merits Brief due on September 7, 2018. That briefing schedule was arranged in part to ensure that briefing would be finished in the event the Court elected to set the case for oral argument in the November sitting.

On Monday August 20, 2018, the Court released the calendar for the November sitting, and this case was not calendared for that sitting. For the convenience of Respondent and its amici, and in order to ensure the fullest presentation of the issues for the Court, Respondent therefore respectfully requests a two-week extension, so that Respondent's brief would be due on September 21, 2018. With the requested extension, Respondent's brief would be filed at least 66 days before the earliest possible argument date for the case.

The State has indicated that it opposes this extension request.

Respectfully submitted,



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