



April 3, 2024

Danny Bickell Office of the Clerk Supreme Court of the United States One First Street, NE Washington, DC 20543

Re: Application to Extend Time to Respond to Petition in

Marlean A. Ames v. Ohio Dept. of Youth Services, Case No. 23-1039

Dear Mr. Bickell:

Respondent, pursuant to Rule 30.4, respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time in which to respond to the petition for writ of certiorari. This extension would move the response date from Friday, May 3, 2024, to **Monday, June 3, 2024** (June 2, 2024 falls on a Sunday).

Counsel seeks this extension because of a heavy caseload in matters before this Court and the Ohio Supreme Court. This brief delay will not prejudice any party.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully yours,

Dave Yost Attorney General of Ohio

/s/ Michael J. Hendershot

Michael J. Hendershot Ohio Chief Deputy Solicitor General

cc: Xiao Wang, Petitioner's counsel