

U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Solicitor General

Washington, D.C. 20530

May 21, 2024

Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Dearnta Lavon Thomas v. United States of America,

S.Ct. No. 23-1168

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on April 26, 2024, and placed on the docket on April 30, 2024. The government's response is due on May 30, 2024.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including July 1, 2024, within which to file the government's response.

This extension is requested to complete preparation of the government's response, which was delayed because of the heavy press of earlier assigned cases to the attorneys handling this matter.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth B. Prelogar Solicitor General

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