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Re: David Snope, et al. v. Anthony Brown, in His Official Capacity as Attorney

General of Maryland, et al., No. 24-203

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was placed on the Court's docket on August 23, 2024. The response was initially due September 23, 2024, but, at respondents' request under Rule 30.4, the time for filing the response was extended 30 days to October 23, 2024.

Respondents request an additional extension of 30 days, so that the response would now be due on or before November 22, 2024. The extension is necessary because of the press of other assigned work. Notably, undersigned counsel and others associated with this case are involved in significant litigation matters, including those relating to the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge in Baltimore, see In the Matter of the Petition of Grace Ocean Private Limited et al. for Exoneration from or Limitation of Liability, Case No. 1:24-cv-00941 (D. Md.). These matters also include other ongoing Second Amendment litigation, including a response to the petition for writ of certiorari in this Court in Maryland Shall Issue, Inc., et al. v. Moore, et al., No. 24-373, comprehensive litigation challenging Maryland's "sensitive places" laws in the Fourth Circuit, see Kipke v. Moore, No. 24-1799 (4th Cir.), and a challenge to Maryland's "red flag" law currently pending in the Supreme Court of Maryland, see Willey v. Brown, Sept. Term 2024, Misc. No. 5 (Md.). The requested extension is necessary to ensure that undersigned counsel and others can devote sufficient attention to those proceedings as well as the responses to the two petitions in this Court.

Counsel for petitioners oppose this request.

Very truly yours,

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