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**VIA USPS FIRST-CLASS MAIL**

Honorable Scott Harris  
Clerk of the Court  
Supreme Court of the United States  
1 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20543

Re: *Crawford v. Cain, et al.*, No. 24-910

Dear Mr. Harris:

Charles Ray Crawford, a Mississippi inmate, filed a petition for writ of certiorari that was docketed by the Court on February 24, 2025. The response is due March 26, 2025. Respondents request a thirty-day extension of that deadline under Rule 30.4. Good cause exists for this extension due to counsel for respondents' competing obligations, filing deadlines, and argument preparations in other state and federal cases, including among others *Godbolt v. Mississippi*, S. Ct. No. 24-6257 (response to petition for writ of certiorari due Mar. 12, 2025), *Holliday v. Cain*, S.D. Miss. No. 3:23cv3126 (response to objections due Mar. 12, 2025), *Brown v. Callahan*, S.D. Miss. No. 3:24cv492 (response to habeas petition due Mar. 17, 2025), *AbbVie v. Fitch*, CA5 No. 24-60375 (set for argument Apr. 2, 2025), and *Brownlee v. State*, MS COA No. 2024-CA-00585-COA (set for argument Apr. 9, 2025). The requested extension is not sought in bad faith, to create delay, or for any other improper purpose, and the extension will not prejudice petitioner. Undersigned has contacted petitioner's counsel and been advised that petitioner consents to the requested extension.

For the foregoing reasons, respondents respectfully request a thirty-day extension, to and including April 25, 2025, to file their response to petitioner's petition for writ of certiorari in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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The undersigned certifies that one true copy of the foregoing letter motion for additional time has been served on opposing counsel by USPS first-class mail and by email to:

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