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*Washington, D.C. 20530*

April 14, 2025

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

Re Johnell Lavell Barber v. United States of America,  
S.Ct. No. 24-6789

Dear Mr. Harris:

The petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case was filed on March 15, 2025, and placed on the docket on March 18, 2025. The government's response is due on April 17, 2025.

We respectfully request, under Rule 30.4 of the rules of this Court, an extension of time to and including May 19, 2025, 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,

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Acting Solicitor General

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