

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF
APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS**

ANITA GAULDOCK,)	
)	
Appellant,)	
)	
v.)	Vet. App. No. 15-2893
)	
ROBERT A. McDONALD,)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,)	
)	
Appellee.)	

**APPELLEE’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A FORTY-FIVE (45) DAY
EXTENSION OF TIME, UNTIL JUNE 13, 2016, TO
FILE THE SECRETARY’S RESPONSE**

Pursuant to Rules 26(b), 27(a), and 45(g) of this Court’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully requests a forty-five (45) day extension of time within which to file the Secretary’s brief in the above-captioned case. The brief, otherwise due on April 29, 2016, would be due on or before June 13, 2016.

The request for additional time is being made because, due to undersigned counsel’s extensive professional responsibilities, which in the past several weeks have included, in matters not related to the instant appeal, researching for and drafting eight briefs, preparing for twelve scheduled Rule-33 conferences, and negotiating one joint motion for remand, additional time is needed in order to examine and research more fully the record and the issues before the Court, and to allow for supervisory review. As a result, the Secretary is unable to meet the April 29, 2016, filing deadline. In view of the aforesaid circumstances, however, an extension of forty-five (45) days, until June 13, 2016, is requested.

In compliance with Rule 26(b)(1), the Secretary notifies the Court that Appellant received a 45-day extension to file his brief in the present

case. The Secretary has not requested an extension in this case. Appellant's counsel had been contacted and is not opposed to the filing of this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellee, Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for an extension of time of forty-five (45) days to file the Secretary's brief, until June 13, 2016.

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