

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

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| LUCIOUS WRIGHT, |) | |
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| Appellant, |) | |
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| v. |) | Vet. App. No. 15-3603 |
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| ROBERT A. MCDONALD, |) | |
| Secretary of Veterans Affairs, |) | |
| |) | |
| Appellee. |) | |

**APPELLEE’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A FORTY-FIVE (45) DAY
EXTENSION OF TIME, UNTIL JULY 18, 2016, TO FILE THE
SECRETARY’S BRIEF**

Pursuant to Rules 26(b), 27, and 45(g) of this Court’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules), Appellee, 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 June 3, 2016, would then be due on or before July 18, 2016.

The request for additional time is being made because the undersigned counsel needs additional time to research the issues on appeal, prepare a response to Appellant’s opening brief, and for supervisory review. On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and Appellant for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing the Secretary’s brief.

In compliance with Rule 26(b)(1)(C),(D), the Secretary notifies the Court that neither party has received extension time in this case.

In compliance with Rule 27(a)(5), the Secretary notifies the Court that Appellant's counsel has been contacted and has expressed no opposition to 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 July 18, 2016.

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