

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

OSCAR P. BATTLE,)	
)	
Appellant,)	
)	
v.)	Vet.App. No. 15-4618
)	
ROBERT A. MCDONALD,)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs)	
)	
Appellee.)	

**APPELLEE’S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
APPELLANT’S BRIEF UNTIL SEPTEMBER 29, 2016**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet.App. R. 26(b), Appellee Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for a 45-day extension of time within which to respond to Appellant’s Brief. If not for this motion, the Secretary’s response would be due on August 15, 2016.

The request for more time is being made because of the undersigned attorney’s extensive professional responsibilities and to allow additional supervisory review. Neither party has previously requested an extension for any action in this case. 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 response.

Counsel for the Appellant does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellee Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for an extension of time to file a response to Appellant's Brief, until September 29, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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