

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

MICHELLE MERCURIO, )  
Appellant, )  
v. )  
ROBERT L. WILKIE, )  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs, )  
Appellee. )

Vet. App. No. 18-6026

**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A 45-DAY EXTENSION  
OF TIME TO FILE APPELLANT’S REPLY BRIEF**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), Appellant respectfully requests a 45-day extension of time, until Friday, December 13, 2019, to file Appellant’s Reply Brief in this case. Appellant’s Reply Brief is due to be filed with the Clerk of the Court on October 29, 2019.

This is the fourth extension sought for this action. Two other extensions of time have been requested and granted to counsel for Appellant in this case. Appellant has had one extension (45 days) to review the Record before the Agency and one extension (45 days) to file the Appellant’s Brief. Secretary sought one extension (45 days) to file the Appellee’s Brief. Thus, there has been a total of three 45-day extensions so far for a total of 135 days.

This extension of time is required due to the competing professional commitments of counsel and the need for additional time to draft and finalize the reply brief for Appellant.

Counsel for the Secretary does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellant respectfully requests that the Court grant this unopposed motion for an extension of time.

October 28, 2019  
Date

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