

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

WENDELL ANDREWS,	)	
	)	
Appellant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Vet. App. No. 19-3227
	)	
DENIS MCDONOUGH,	)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	)	
	)	
Appellee.	)	

**APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO RESPOND TO APPELLANT'S EAJA APPLICATION  
UNTIL DECEMBER 6, 2021**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), Appellee Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully requests a 45-day extension within which to file a response to the Appellant's Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) application for award of reasonable attorney fees and expenses in this case, which is due on October 21, 2021.

The request for additional time is being made because of the undersigned attorney's extensive professional responsibilities which, during the past month, have entailed numerous filing deadlines in other cases before the Court and thus will preclude completion of Appellee's response by the required date.

On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and the Appellant for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing a response to the EAJA application. However, in view of the aforesaid circumstances, an extension of 45 days, until December 6, 2021, as the forty-fifth day falls on a day in which the Court is closed for business, is requested.

Neither party has previously been granted any days of extension in this EAJA case thus far.

Counsel for the Appellant does not oppose this motion.

**WHEREFORE**, Appellee Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court to grant a 45-day extension of time until December 6, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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