

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

SHARON RIECHERS,)	
)	
Appellant,)	
)	
v.)	Vet. App. No. 18-4489 EAJA
)	
DENIS MCDONOUGH,)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,)	
)	
Appellee.)	

**APPELLEE’S MOTION FOR A 45-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME, UNTIL
JANUARY 22, 2024, TO RESPOND TO APPELLANT’S APPLICATION
FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEY’S FEES AND EXPENSES PURSUANT
TO 28 U.S.C § 2412(d)**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b) and 27(b), Appellee, Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs (“Secretary”), respectfully requests a 45-day extension of time, until January 22, 2024, within which to respond to Appellant’s Application for an Award of Attorney’s Fees and Expenses pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) (Application). But for this motion, said response is due to be filed with the Court on December 8, 2023.

For good cause, Counsel for the Secretary submits that workload requirements have delayed completion of the Secretary’s response to Appellant’s EAJA application. Therefore, additional time is required to complete the Secretary’s response and for supervisory review of the response.

In compliance with Rule 26(b), the Secretary informs the Court that neither party has been granted any days of extension regarding this matter.

Appellant does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, for the above reason and for other reasons the Court deems just and proper, the Secretary moves the Court to grant this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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