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

DAVID R. GAGNE,	)
Appellant,	)
٧.	) Vet. App. No. 14-0334EAJA
ROBERT A. MCDONALD, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	) )
Appellee.	)

## APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE APPELLEE'S RESPONSE TO APPELLANT'S EAJA APPLICATION UNTIL APRIL 21, 2016

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. Rule 27(a) and 45(g) Appellee, Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves this Court for an extension of time, for 45 days, until April 21, 2016, within which to file his response to Appellant's Application for Attorney's Fees and Expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA). If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would have been due on or before March 7, 2016.

The request for additional time is requested because of competing work due in cases other than this one, including preparation of 11 briefs to be filed with the Court in March 2016; preparing for 11 Rule-33 briefing conferences and negotiating 4 joint motions for remand and responding to 2 applications for attorney's fees and expenses pursuant to the Equal Justice Act.

This is the Secretary's first request for extension in connection with the attorney fee application; Appellant has had none.

Appellant's Counsel has stated that he does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellee respectfully moves this Court to grant this motion for an extension of time within which to file his response to Appellant's Application for Attorney's Fees and Expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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