

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

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| JERRIAN O. LOCKETT, SR., |) | |
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| Appellant, |) | |
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| v. |) | Vet. App. No. 18-4499 |
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| ROBERT L. WILKIE, |) | |
| Secretary of Veterans Affairs, |) | |
| |) | |
| Appellee. |) | |

**APPELLANT’S MOTION FOR A 45-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME, UNTIL
NOVEMBER 12, 2019, 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 November 12, 2019, to file Appellant’s reply brief. But for this motion, Appellant’s reply brief is due to be filed with the Clerk of the Court on September 26, 2019, with consideration to Rule 26(a) and Rule 31(a)(1)(B).

In the case to date, Appellant has been granted one 45-day extension to file a response to the Court’s August 23, 2018, Order and an additional 45-day extension of time to file his opening brief. The Secretary has also been granted one 45-day extension of time to file Appellee’s brief. Accordingly, Appellant has received a total of 90 days of extension, while the Secretary has received 45 days of extension. Thus, 135 days of extension have been granted in this case.

This extension of time is required to ensure that counsel for Appellant has sufficient time to perform additional legal and factual research regarding the arguments raised in Appellee’s brief, while also allowing for review of Appellant’s reply brief.

Counsel for the Secretary, Sarah Catherine Blackadar, Esq., was contacted electronically concerning this motion; however, as of filing a response has not been received. Accordingly, the Secretary's position is unknown.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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