

**MATTHEW W. CRUMLICH,**  
Appellant,

Vet.App. No. 17-2630

**ROBERT L. WILKIE,**  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,  
Appellee.

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), 27, and 45(g), Appellee, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for a 45 day extension of time within which to respond to Appellant's Application for Attorney's Fees and Expenses. If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would be due on October 24, 2019. In offering this motion, the Secretary notes that 45 days from October 24, 2019, falls on December 8, 2019, a day on which the Court is closed.

As of the date of this motion, neither party has sought any extension of time with respect to any filing relating to this phase of the case. On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and Appellant for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing the Secretary's response. However, in view of the aforesaid circumstances, an extension of 45 days, until December 9, 2019, is requested.

Appellant's counsel has been consulted with respect to this motion and has advised that Appellant is unopposed to this motion for extension.

**WHEREFORE**, Appellee, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for an extension of time to file a response to Appellant's Application for Award of Reasonable Attorney's Fees and Expenses, until December 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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