

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

GEORGE A. OWENS,)	
)	
Appellant,)	
)	
v.)	Vet. App. No. 19-2400
)	
ROBERT L. WILKIE,)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,)	
)	
Appellee.)	

**APPELLEE’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A 45-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE THE SECRETARY’S BRIEF, UNTIL FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. Rules 26, 27, and 45(g), the Secretary respectfully moves the Court for a 45-day extension of time to file his brief, and, as good cause therefor, states that the request for additional time is being made because of the undersigned attorney’s extensive professional responsibilities and therefore additional time is needed to draft the brief and submit the brief for supervisory review.

In compliance with Rule 26, the Secretary states: his brief is due to be filed December 18, 2019; Appellant has received 40 days of extension in this case; the Secretary has not requested any extensions in this case; and Appellant’s counsel does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Secretary respectfully requests that the Court grant the Secretary’s unopposed motion for an extension of time, until February 3, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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