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

JUAN PENA MEDINA,	)
Appellant,	)
V.	) Vet.App. No. 19-1083
ROBERT L. WILKIE, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	) ) )
Appellee.	)

## APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO APPELLANT'S BRIEF UNTIL MARCH 13, 2020

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), 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 Brief. If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would be due on January 28, 2020.

The request for more time is being made because of Appellate Attorney's current deadlines and workload considerations in other cases pending before the Court, which preclude completion of Appellee's response at this time.

Appellant has previously been granted 45-days extension for this action, and 90-days extension in the case thus far. Appellee has not requested any extensions in the case thus far.

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 March 13, 2020, is requested.

Counsel for the Appellant does not oppose this motion.

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 Brief, until March 13, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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