

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

ROBERT J. HARKO,	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Vet.App. No. 20-1153
	)	
ROBERT L. WILKIE	)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	)	
	)	
Respondent	)	

**SECRETARY’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A 30-DAY EXTENSION  
OF TIME TO FILE THE SECRETARY’S RESPONSE**

Pursuant to United States Court of Veterans Appeals Rule 26(b), Respondent respectfully moves this Court for a 30-day extension of time in which to file the Secretary’s response to the Court’s February 20, 2020, order to respond to Petitioner’s petition for extraordinary relief in the nature of a writ of mandamus, which would otherwise be due on March 23, 2020.

The request for additional time is being made to allow undersigned counsel additional time to coordinate with the Regional Office (RO) regarding the status of Petitioner’s claims.

Petitioner’s counsel has been contacted and is unopposed to the filing of this motion.

**WHEREFORE**, Respondent respectfully moves the Court for a 30-day extension of time, until April 22, 2020, in which to file his response.

Respectfully submitted,

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