IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

JAMES A. GODSEY, JR., ET AL.,)
Petitioner,)
V.) Vet. App. No. 17-4361
ROBERT L. WILKIE, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,)))
Respondent.	,

RESPONDENT 'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO PETITIONERS' EAJA APPLICATION UNTIL JULY 20, 2020

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), Respondent, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully requests a 45-day extension within which to file in response to the Petitioners' Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) application for award of reasonable attorney fees and expenses in this case, which is due on June 5, 2020.

The request for additional time is being made because of the undersigned attorney's extensive professional responsibilities which preclude completion of Respondent's response by this date.

On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and the Petitioners for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing a response to the EAJA application. However, in view of the aforesaid circumstances, an extension of 45 days, until July 20, 2020, is requested.

Neither party has previously been granted any days of extension in this EAJA case thus far.

Counsel for the Petitioners does not oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, Respondent, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court to grant a 45-day extension of time until July 20, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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