# IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

JOHN B. WELLS, Petitioner,	)
V.	) Vet. App. No. 20-5221
<b>DENIS MCDONOUGH,</b> Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	)
Respondent.	, )

# RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR A 15-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE THE SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO THE COURT'S AUGUST 12, 2021, ORDER, UNTIL SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26 and 27, the Secretary respectfully moves the Court for a 15-day extension of time to file his response to the Court's August 12, 2021, Order, and, as good cause therefor, states the following: undersigned counsel was on previously scheduled leave the week of August 16-20, 2021, and is currently awaiting information from multiple sources.

In compliance with Rule 26, the Secretary states: his response the Court's order is due to be filed September 2, 2021; Petitioner has not requested any extension in this case; the Secretary has received 30 days of extension in this case with none being for the instant pleading; and Petitioner has been contacted but has not informed undersigned of his position regarding this motion.

**WHEREFORE**, the Secretary respectfully requests that the Court grant the Secretary's motion for an extension of time, until September 17, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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