IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

VETERANS LEGAL ADVOCACY) GROUP,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	Vet. App. No. 20-8291
DENIS MCDONOUGH ,) Secretary of Veterans Affairs,)	
Respondent.)	

RESPONDENT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNTIL JANUARY 12, 2022, TO RESPOND TO THE COURT'S NOVEMBER 5, 2021, ORDER

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), Respondent, Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for a 30-day extension of time within which to respond to the Court's November 5, 2021, Order. If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would be due on December 13, 2021.

The request for additional time is being made to allow internal coordination amongst the various Agency departments on the matters raised by the Court's November 5, 2021, Order. Additionally, the undersigned, who is the primary point of contact for coordination amongst the Agency departments, has familial and medical obligations occurring between December 7th to December 10th requiring leave from the office. This leave will prohibit the coordination and finalization of the necessary response.

Petitioner has previously been granted 51-days of extension time.

Respondent has previously been granted 28-days of extension time. On behalf of the Secretary, counsel expresses regret to the Court and Petitioner for any inconvenience caused by the delay in filing the Secretary's response.

Petitioner is not opposed to this motion.

WHEREFORE, Respondent, Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for an extension of time to file a response to the Court's November 5, 2021, Order until January 12, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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