

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

HAROLD L. ROBY, JR.,	)	
	)	
Appellant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Vet. App. No. 17-528
	)	
DENIS McDONOUGH,	)	
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	)	
	)	
Appellee.	)	

**APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A 45-DAY EXTENSION TO FILE  
THE SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO APPELLANT'S FEE APPLICATION**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26, 27, and 45(g), the Secretary respectfully moves the Court for a 45-day extension of time until October 31, 2022, to file his response to Appellant's application for attorney's fees. As grounds therefor, he states the following: due to current deadlines and workload considerations in other cases pending before the Court, undersigned was precluded from submitting a formal recommendation and draft pleading to his supervisors within the time necessary to allow for timely approval and filing of the Secretary's response.

In compliance with Rule 26, the Secretary states: his response to Appellant's fee application is currently due by September 16, 2022; neither party has received an extension in the fee stage of this case; and counsel for Appellant does not oppose this motion.

**WHEREFORE**, the Secretary respectfully requests that the Court grant the Secretary's unopposed motion for an extension of time until October 31, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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