

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

PAUL CARDOZA,
Appellant,

V.

DENIS MCDONOUGH,
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,
Appellee.

Vet.App. No. 20-6380

**APPELLEE’S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO RESPOND TO THE COURT’S NOVEMBER 2, 2023, ORDER**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b), 27, and 45(g), Appellee, Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, respectfully moves the Court for 45-day extension of time to respond to the Court's November 2, 2023, Order, until January 18, 2024. If not for this motion, the Secretary's response would be due by December 4, 2023.

This request is being made because of the need to consult with agency stakeholders to respond to the Court's order, which will require additional time and may be impacted over the coming weeks due to leave for religious and cultural holidays.

On behalf of the Secretary, the undersigned expresses regret to the Court and Appellant for any inconvenience caused by the need for more time to file the Secretary's response. But, given the above, the undersigned submits that good cause for this motion exists and respectfully requests a 45-day extension, until January 18, 2024.

Appellant has not requested any extension time in this matter. The Secretary was previously granted a total of 75 days of extension time for deadlines during the early stages of this matter.

Counsel for Appellant is unopposed to this motion.

WHEREFORE, Appellee respectfully moves the Court for a 45-day extension to respond to the Court's Order until January 18, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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