

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

BRET D. LANDRITH,)	
SAMUEL K. LIPARI,)	
)	
Plaintiffs, <i>pro se</i>,)	Civil Action No. 1:12-cv-01916 (ABJ)
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v.)	
)	
HON. JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR.,)	
Chief Justice of the United States,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
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**DEFENDANT’S MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO
FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT**

Defendant Hon. John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the United States, through undersigned counsel, moves this Court for an extension of time to respond to Plaintiffs’ complaint, to and including March 8, 2013. The answer is presently due on February 26, 2013. Undersigned counsel primarily assigned to this case has consulted with Plaintiff Landrith who indicates that Plaintiffs will oppose this motion. This is Defendant’s first request for an extension of time.

Grounds for this motion to extend are as follows:

Upon receipt of the complaint in this case, undersigned counsel contacted the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts (“AO”) by letter to determine whether the AO would provide legal assistance in this litigation. During the week of February 18, 2013, undersigned counsel primarily assigned to the Court was informed by the AO that it did not provide litigation support in cases of this nature.

Thereafter, undersigned counsel primarily assigned to this case contacted the Legal Counsel’s Office of the Supreme Court and requested the extent to which that office would assist

in the litigation. Counsel from that office and undersigned counsel have now consulted and believe that a dispositive motion may be appropriate in lieu of an answer. Because of the unanticipated delay and the desire to explore whether a dispositive motion should be filed in lieu of an answer, Defendant requests additional time to respond to the complaint. Accordingly, an extension of time, to and including March 8, 2013, is respectfully requested.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that this motion be granted. A proposed order is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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