Doc. 28 (HC) Wells v. Lizarraga 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 CHRISTOPHER KELLY WELLS, No. 2:16-cv-2807 WBS AC P 12 Petitioner. 13 v. **ORDER** 14 JOE A. LIZARRAGA, 15 Respondent. 16 17 Petitioner has requested an extension of time, up to September 7, 2017, to file a traverse. 18 ECF No. 27. The current deadline is July 7, 2017. ECF No. 22. He also requests a copy of 19 respondent's answer. ECF No. 26. 20 In granting petitioner's previous request for an extension of time, the undersigned warned 21 petitioner that no further extensions would be granted absent a showing of extraordinary cause. 22 ECF No. 22. Petitioner asserts that while the inmate assisting him with this case was working on 23 his traverse, which was nearly complete, another inmate attempted to murder a correctional 24 officer and all inmates in the area were ordered to leave their belongings and return to their cells. 25 ECF No. 27. As a result, petitioner's legal materials, including respondent's answer and his 26 traverse, were confiscated and correctional staff have since been unable to locate any of his 27 materials. <u>Id.</u> Petitioner has established extraordinary cause and the request for an extension will 28 be granted. The court will also grant petitioner's request for a copy of respondent's answer.

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Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Petitioner's request for an extension of time (ECF No. 27) is granted and petitioner shall have until September 7, 2017, to file a traverse.
- 2. Petitioner's request for a copy of the answer (ECF No. 26) is granted. The Clerk of the Court is directed to send petitioner a copy of respondent's answer (ECF No. 13).

DATED: June 20, 2017

ALLISON CLAIRE

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE