

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT**

MICHAEL C. SKAKEL	:	CASE NO. 3:07 CV 1625 (PCD)
Petitioner,	:	
	:	
v.	:	
	:	
PETER J. MURPHY,	:	
Respondent.	:	JANUARY 7, 2009

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE EXCESS PAGES

Pursuant to Rule 7(d) of the Local Rules of Civil Procedure, the Petitioner, Michael Skakel, respectfully requests permission to file a Reply Brief that is longer than ten (10) pages in length.

Mr. Skakel's Reply Brief is 17 pages in length. The extra pages are necessary for the following reasons. This was a murder case that originated in the Superior Court for the State of Connecticut and was appealed to the Connecticut Supreme Court. A Petition For Certiorari was also filed with the United States Supreme Court. The factual background and procedural history of the case is lengthy. The Respondent has raised in his 76-page memorandum five complex issues of constitutional magnitude which require additional pages for full and complete reply.

Counsel for the Respondent, Michael O'Hare, has been contacted and has no objection to this motion.

Wherefore, for the foregoing reasons, Mr. Skakel respectfully requests that the Court permit him to file a Reply Brief that exceeds the ten (10) page limit.

**THE PETITIONER,
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