UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MOHAMMAD S. BALOCH,)
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Plaintiff,)
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V.)
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GALE A. NORTON,)
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Defendant)

Civil Action No. 03-1207(RMU)

CONSENT MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO FILE REPLY

Defendant respectfully requests an extension of time to May 25, 2007, in which to reply to plaintiff's opposition to defendant's motion for summary judgment. The reply currently is due on May 18, 2007.

Since the receipt of plaintiff's opposition, among other duties, defendant's counsel has been preparing an opposition to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment in a Rehabilitation Act case, *Bergman v. Snow*, CA 06-303, which is due on May 11, 2007, and preparing for a Rule 56(f) hearing in *West v. Potter*, CA 05-1339, on May 15, 2007. Due to these matters counsel will not be able to complete the reply by May 18, 2007. Additionally, counsel is assigned to TRO duty the week of May 14, 2007. Any emergency matters which might be filed also would negatively impact counsel's ability to complete the reply.

This is the first request for an extension to file the reply. Counsel for plaintiff has consented to this request.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the extension of time be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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