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13 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
14 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

15 MICHAEL SMITH,

16 Petitioner,

17 vs.

18 RENEE BAKER, et al.,

19 Respondents.

Case No. 3:13-cv-00246-RCJ-WGC

**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO
SECOND MOTION TO DISMISS
(ECF NOS. 52, 74)**

(FIRST REQUEST)

20 Respondents move this Court for an enlargement of time of thirty (30) days from the current due
21 date of September 12, 2019, up to and including Monday, October 14, 2019, in which to file their reply
22 to Petitioner's response in opposition to Respondents' motion to dismiss. ECF Nos. 52, 74. This motion
23 is made pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b) and Rule 6-1 of the Local Rules of Practice and is based upon
24 the attached affidavit of counsel.

25 This is the first enlargement of time sought by Respondents and is brought in good faith and not
26 for the purpose of delay.

27 DATED September 12, 2019.

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By: /s/ Allison Herr
Allison Herr (Bar No. 5383)
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1 DECLARATION OF ALLISON HERR

2 STATE OF NEVADA)
3 COUNTY OF CLARK) ss:

4 I, Allison Herr, being first duly sworn under oath, depose and state as follows:

5 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in all courts within the State of Nevada, and am
6 employed as a Senior Deputy Attorney General in the Office of the Nevada Attorney General. I have
7 been assigned to represent Respondents in the case of *Michael Smith v. Renee Baker, et al.*, Case No.
8 3:13-cv-00246-RCJ-WGC, and as such, have personal knowledge of the matters contained herein.

9 2. A reply to Petitioner’s opposition to the motion to dismiss (ECF No. 74) is currently due
10 on Thursday, September 12, 2019.

11 3. The undersigned is new to the case and was not the drafter of the original motion to
12 dismiss. ECF No. 52. Thus it is taking longer than it might otherwise have been expected to familiarize
13 myself with the case in order to cogently respond to those issues raised in the opposition pleadings. I
14 have been unable with due diligence to timely complete the response herein. Additional time is needed
15 to draft responsive pleadings and have those pleadings reviewed and approved by my supervisor. I am
16 seeking an extension of time to Monday, October 14, 2019.

17 4. This motion is made in good faith and not for the purpose of delay. I am making diligent
18 efforts to file the record and responsive pleadings in this matter, however I must also balance this case
19 with the demands of the other matters to which I am responsible. I am currently assigned to respond to
20 42 federal habeas cases and approximately 75 state habeas matters. In the past thirty days I have filed
21 responses in the following matters: *Escobar v. State*, 77462-COA, Answering Brief; *Orr v. Williams*,
22 2:17-cv-908, Opposition; *Malone v. Williams*, 2:18-cv-764, Motion to Dismiss; *Davis v. Williams*, 2:15-
23 cv-1574, Evidentiary Hearing; *Ochs v. Gentry*, 2:16-cv-982, Reply; *Gayler v. State*, NSC 77897,
24 Answering Brief; *Marquez v. Williams*, 3:15-cv-492, Reply Brief.

25 5. In the next thirty days, I have 1 state appellate answering brief, and 1 reply brief, 1
26 opposition and 2 answers to federal petitions due. Consequently, I am requesting an extension of thirty
27 days or until Monday, October 14, 2019 to file a reply brief in this matter.

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