

Response to Petition. Respondents will have sixty (60) days following service of
the amended petition to file and serve an answer or other response to the amended
petition. If petitioner does not file an amended petition, respondents will have sixty (60)
days following the due date for the amended petition to file and serve an answer or other
response to petitioner's petition.

6 Reply. Petitioner will have forty-five (45) days following service of an answer to file
7 and serve a reply. Respondents will thereafter have thirty (30) days following service of a
8 reply to file and serve a response to the reply.

9 Briefing of Motion to Dismiss. If respondents file a motion to dismiss, petitioner
10 will have sixty (60) days following service of the motion to file and serve a response to the
11 motion. Respondents will thereafter have thirty (30) days following service of the response
12 to file and serve a reply.

13 **Discovery.** If petitioner wishes to move for leave to conduct discovery, petitioner 14 must file and serve such motion concurrently with, but separate from, the response to 15 respondents' motion to dismiss or the reply to respondents' answer. Any motion for leave 16 to conduct discovery filed by petitioner before that time may be considered premature, 17 and may be denied, without prejudice, on that basis. Respondents will file and serve a 18 response to any such motion concurrently with, but separate from, their reply in support 19 of their motion to dismiss or their response to petitioner's reply. Thereafter, petitioner will 20 have twenty (20) days to file and serve a reply in support of the motion for leave to conduct 21 discovery.

Evidentiary Hearing. If petitioner wishes to request an evidentiary hearing, petitioner must file and serve a motion for an evidentiary hearing concurrently with, but separate from, the response to respondents' motion to dismiss or the reply to respondents' answer. Any motion for an evidentiary hearing filed by petitioner before that time may be considered premature, and may be denied, without prejudice, on that basis. The motion for an evidentiary hearing must specifically address why an evidentiary hearing is required, and must meet the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 2254(e). The motion

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1	must state whether an evidentiary hearing was held in state court, and, if so, state where
2	the transcript is located in the record. If petitioner files a motion for an evidentiary hearing,
3	respondents must file and serve a response to that motion concurrently with, but separate
4	from, their reply in support of their motion to dismiss or their response to petitioner's reply.
5	Thereafter, petitioner will have twenty (20) days to file and serve a reply in support of the
6	motion for an evidentiary hearing.
7	It is so ordered.
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