

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

GENE GILBERT ELLIS III,

Petitioner,

vs.

No. CIV-18-12 JCH/KRS

**RAYMOND SMITH, Warden, and
HECTOR H. BALDERAS, Attorney
General for the State of New Mexico,**

Respondents.

ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on *Respondents' Motion for an Extension of Time to Answer Gene Gilbert Ellis' Pro Se Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (28 U.S.C. § 2254) [Doc. 1]*. Having reviewed the motion, the relevant pleadings, and being otherwise fully informed in the premises, the Court determines that the motion is well-taken.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that *Respondents' Motion for an Extension of Time to Answer Gene Gilbert Ellis' Pro Se Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (28 U.S.C. § 2254) [Doc. 1] [Doc. 8]* is **GRANTED**;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents shall have until May 7, 2018 to file their answer.



THE HONORABLE KEVIN R. SWEAZE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE