

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

APPEALS COURT NO. 2012-P-0635

ALEXANDER B. C. MULHOLLAND, ET. AL.

PLAINTIFFS/APPELLEES

V.

MARTHA COAKLEY AS SHE IS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

ET. AL.

DEFENDANTS-APPELLEES

**DEFENDANT-APPELLEE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REQUEST FOR 20-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
OPPOSITION TO APPLICATION FOR DIRECT APPELLATE REVIEW**

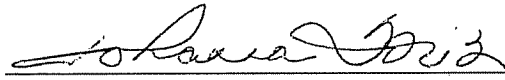
Now comes the Defendant-Appellee in the above-captioned matter, the Attorney General, and requests this Honorable Court to enlarge the time for filing its opposition from September 10, 2012 to October 1, 2012.

The reason for the Motion is that counsel for the Defendant-Appellee Attorney General, Johanna Soris, is unable to file her Opposition to the Application for Direct Appellate Review in the time allotted by the rules because of previously scheduled commitments. Moreover, the Appellants' application contains new issues not raised or briefed below that require more time address. As a final reason for the Attorney General's request for an extension the Attorney General notes that after the Appellants moved to intervene, the Feoffees, the Ipswich School Committee and the Attorney General divided and briefed different issues for the trial court and for the Single Justice of the

Appeals Court. In a new development, the lawyer who represented the Feoffees in the matters giving rise to this appeal has withdrawn, and new counsel for the Feoffees has not yet decided whether and to what extent to participate in the appellate process. Due to financial considerations the Ipswich School Committee has not yet decided whether to authorize its counsel to file a brief on its behalf. Thus the Attorney General may well need additional time to thoroughly research the issues formerly handled by other parties.

Therefore, the Defendant-Appellee Attorney General requests that this Honorable Court grant an extension of 20 days to file the Opposition Brief in this case, from September 10, 2012 to October 1, 2012.

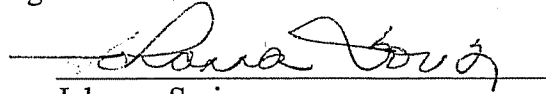
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