IN THE

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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JAMES H. LESAR,

Appellant

V.

Case No. 78-2305

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Appellee

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE BRIEF FOR APPELLANT

Comes now James H. Lesar, appellant <u>pro se</u>, and moves the Court for an order extending the time for filing his brief to and including March 1, 1979. In support of his motion, appellant states to the Court as follows:

- Appellant's brief in this case is presently due on January 30, 1979.
- 2. Appellant has requested no previous extension of time in this case.
- 3. Appellant is presently engaged in researching and writing a brief in Weisberg v. U.S. Department of Justice, Case No. 78-1641, which was due on January 16, 1979. Because of work on this brief

appellant will not be able to file his brief in this case on the date it is now due.

- 4. Appellant also has work on cases in district court which must take priority over the filing of his brief in this case. For example, by its order of January 12, 1979 in Cases 77-1831 and 78-1731, this Court has cleared the way for appellant to seek attorney's fees and sanctions in Weisberg v. General Services Administration, Civil Action No. 75-1448. Because of appellant's present circumstances, it is particularly urgent that the attorney's issue in that case be resovled as soon as possible.
- 5. In addition to the foregoing, it is appellant's belief that he should probably seek to have this case remanded to the district court so he can file a motion for new trial there. However, before he makes this decision final, he needs some additional time for research and reflection.

For the foregoing reasons, appellant requests that his motion for a thirty-day extension of time be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 17th day of January, 1979, mailed a copy of the foregoing Motion For Extension of Time in Which to File Brief for Appellant to Ms. Barbara Herwig, Attorney, Appellate Staff, Civil Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530.

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