

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

ORANNA BUMGARNER FELTER,)	
et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	Civil Action No. 02-2156 (RWR)
)	
v.)	
)	
KENNETH SALAZAR, Secretary)	
of the Interior, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANTS’ UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 6(b), Defendants Kenneth Salazar, Secretary of the Interior, et al. (“Defendants”) move for a twenty day enlargement of time from December 1, 2009 to and including December 21, 2009 to file its supplemental memoranda.

On October 27, 2009, the Court ordered the parties to file supplemental memoranda addressing specific questions regarding the preclusive effects of the prior judgments identified in Defendants’ Motion to Dismiss. Following the Court’s Order of October 27, 2009, this case was reassigned from the undersigned counsel to another trial attorney, Mr. Joseph Watson. During the week of November 16, 2009, Mr. Watson became ill with the H1N1 virus and his return date to the office is not yet certain. As a result of Mr. Watson’s illness, the multiple stages of internal review required by Defendants for filings of this nature, and the upcoming holidays, Defendants require extra time to prepare their supplemental memoranda.

Counsel for Defendants consulted and discussed this matter with counsel for Plaintiffs Oranna Bumgarner Felter, et al., (“Plaintiffs”) who represented that Plaintiffs do not oppose this motion.

Dated: November 23, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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