

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Complainant,

v.

STEVEN KENT HUNTER

and

PHILIP MAURICE GERSON,

Respondents.

Supreme Court Case Nos.  
SC16-1006 & SC16-1009

The Florida Bar File Nos.  
2014-70,728(11C)  
2014-70,729(11C)

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**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Respondent Philip Gerson moves to enlarge his time to file his Cross-Reply Brief and states:

1. The Florida Bar filed its Reply Brief on October 02, 2017. Absent an extension of time, Mr. Gerson's Cross-Reply Brief would be due October 23, 2017. For the reasons set forth below, Mr. Gerson asks this Court to enlarge the time to file his Cross-Reply Brief by thirty days, to November 22, 2017.

2. David Pollack and Farah Bridges of the Stearns Weaver law firm have represented Mr. Gerson in this disciplinary action since it commenced with the filing of The Florida Bar's Complaint, including at trial before the Referee and during the brief-writing phase before this Court.

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3. On October 2, 2017, the very day The Florida Bar served its Reply Brief, Ms. Bridges gave birth and went on maternity leave. Her absence means that it will take much longer than it otherwise would have taken to prepare Mr. Gerson's Cross-Reply Brief. Mr. Gerson's counsel believes that an enlargement of time to November 22, 2017 should be sufficient.

4. Counsel for The Florida Bar does not oppose the requested extension.

5. This Motion is not made for the purpose of delay or any other improper purpose.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Gerson respectfully requests that the Court grant his Motion, enlarge, to November 22, 2017, his time to file his Cross-Reply Brief, and enter such additional relief as it deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of October, 2017, I filed a true and correct copy of the foregoing document with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida through the E-filing Portal. I also certify that the foregoing document is being served this day on all counsel of record identified on the below Service List via e-mail.

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