

BEFORE THE
U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of the Application of

JENNIFER ANNE JOHNSTON

For Review of Action Taken By

FINRA

File No. 3-20120

APPLICANT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE REPLY BRIEF

Pursuant to SEC Rule of Practice 161 and Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Release No. 88415, Applicant, JENNIFER ANNE JOHNSTON, respectfully moves to extend the deadline to file Applicant's Reply Brief by seven days from October 23, 2023, to October 30, 2023. Counsel for Ms. Johnston has conferred with counsel for FINRA, and FINRA does not oppose this motion.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND FACTUAL BACKGROUND

1. On October 8, 2020, Ms. Johnston filed an application for review in this matter.
2. After briefing the merits, on August 9, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Requesting Additional Briefs, ordering that the parties submit additional briefs addressing questions raised by the Commission.
3. As set forth in the Order, Ms. Johnston's brief in reply to the August 9, 2023 Order is currently due October 23, 2023.
4. This is Ms. Johnston's first request for an extension in this case.

5. Counsel for Ms. Johnson was absent the previous week and has multiple other deadlines to meet upon returning. Counsel for Ms. Johnson is concerned about his ability to complete this reply brief in time and in an effective manner, and is thus requesting a short extension of time in order to properly and effectively represent Ms. Johnson in this matter.

6. Counsel for both Ms. Johnston and FINRA have conferred. FINRA does not oppose the relief requested.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION

7. The Commission established in SEC Rule of Practice 161(a) that the Commission “may, for good cause shown, extend or shorten any time limits prescribed by these Rules of Practice for the filing of any papers[.]” 17 C.F.R. § 201.161(a) (2020).

8. The factors to be considered by the Commission on whether to grant an extension of time are (1) the length of the proceeding to date, (2) the number of postponements, adjournments, or extensions already granted, (3) the stage of the proceedings at the time of the request, and (4) any other such matters as justice may require. See *Dakota Sec. Int’l*, Exchange Act Release No. 83139, 2018 SEC LEXIS 1019, at *2 (May 1, 2018); 17 C.F.R. 201.161(b).

9. Good cause exists to grant Ms. Johnston’s request. Ms. Johnston seeks a minimal seven-day extension of time of the briefing deadline for her reply brief. This is the first request of an extension of deadlines in this case. This case has been pending since October 2020, but the additional briefing schedule was issued just over two months ago. Ms. Johnston requests additional time to adequately prepare her submission. Therefore, the relevant factors weigh in favor of granting Ms. Johnston’s motion.

CONCLUSION

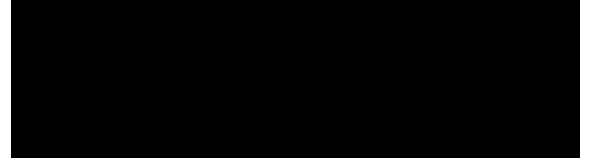
Ms. Johnston therefore respectfully request that the Commission extend her deadline to file her Reply Brief by seven days from October 23, 2023, to October 30, 2023.

Dated: October 18, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Donna Montemayor, hereby certify that on this 18th day of October 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Applicant's Motion for Extension* of Time has been filed through the SEC's eFAP system and served by electronic mail as follows:

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