

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

In re Adoption of H.N.R., :  
A minor child :  
: On appeal from the Greene  
: County Court of Appeals  
: Second Appellate District  
:  
: Court of Appeals  
: Case No: 2014-CA-35  
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: **Adoption involved**

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APPELLANT'S REQUEST FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MERIT BRIEF

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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MERIT BRIEF

Erik L. Smith, Counsel for Appellant, Christopher Shawn Miller, respectfully asks the Court to give him an additional ten days to file his merit brief.

The record was transferred from the Court of Appeals to this Court on February 11, 2015, making the merit brief due on March 3, 2015. Unfortunately, shortly after the record was transferred, Counsel for Appellant became ill with an upper respiratory infection that prevented him from working on the brief until now. Counsel also has two appeals pending in other courts that require significant attention. Appellant seeks this extension not for delay but to ensure that his client and justice are well-served.

Accordingly, Appellant asks the Court to extend the time for filing his merit brief to March 13, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I sent a true copy of this Request for Extension of Time through the electronic filing system of this Court, and by email, to Michael Voorhees, counsel for appellees, at mike@ohioadoptionlawyer.com on February 24, 2015.

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Any questions, please call.

  
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