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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

Case No. 21-12160

JOHN BURKE; JOANNA BURKE

Plaintiffs-Intervenors

#### CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU,

Plaintiff,

versus

OCWEN FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a Florida corporation, OCWEN LOAN SERVICING LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, OCWEN MORTGAGE SERVICING INC., a U. S. Virgin Islands corporation, PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION,

Defendants.

# On Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida; USDC No. 9:17-cv-80495-KAM

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## MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PETITION FOR REHEARING AND REHEARING EN BANC

Appellants, Joanna Burke and John Burke ("Burkes"), and file this its Motion for Extension of Time to file their Petition for Rehearing and in support thereof would show the Court as follows:

#### The Time is Necessary

Appellants Burkes would civilly ask this court to extend its deadline to file the petition from the deadline date of March 21 up to and including Thursday, August 18, 2022.

#### **It Involves Medical Emergency and Surgeries**

The reason for the extension of time is due to Joanna Burke's current mental health and emergency medical requirements as detailed in *Burke v. Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC* (4:21-cv-02591), District Court, S.D. Texas, Doc. 36, Dec. 1, 2021. Due to unforeseen delays outwith the Burkes control, including medical surgeons lack of availability, the first of two anticipates surgeries has been rescheduled. The first surgery is now scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2022 with Dr Takashima (ENT) at Methodist Hospital in Houston, Texas and the next surgery will be arranged after recovery from the first.

Considering Joanna's age (83), and accounting for post-operation visits, home rest and recovery, repeating that process for the second surgery, and then allowing for the permissible 3 weeks to prepare and submit the petition to this court, the revised deadline date would be Thursday, August 18, 2022.

### The Delay is Harmless

In support, the delay will not affect the proceedings between the CFPB and Ocwen (Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Appellant v. Ocwen Financial Corporation, et al., 21-11314), which is currently on appeal at this court. Oral argument was heard on Feb. 10, 2022 and the opinion is pending.

If this court reverses the lower court, it will result in the case being remanded for further proceedings and the Burkes delay would not interfere with that process. However, if this court were to affirm the lower court's case in favor of Ocwen, this would end the civil lawsuit, barring any objections and petitions by the CFPB, and automatically render the Burkes anticipated Petition for Rehearing moot. Either way, the time requested is harmless to the parties and this court.

### The Burkes Planned Petition has Meritorious Arguments

Aware that Petitions for rehearing are disfavored, the Burkes herein wish to assure this court the arguments to be raised in their Petition are soaked in

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legal precedent which the Burkes are confident will mandate vacating the 3-

panel opinion. Furthermore, due process commands the opportunity to be

heard (Powell, 851 F.2d at 431....") and Joanna Burkes medical condition

(Waldrip v. General Elec. Co., 325 F.3d 652, 655 (5th Cir. 2003)) and reasoned

delay should not be a legal barrier to filing their petition.

Conclusion

This un/opposed motion is not brought for the purpose of delay and

therefore Appellants respectfully requests this court extend the deadline to file

its brief to Thursday, August 18, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

DATED: March 17, 2022

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE**

We hereby certify we emailed counsel for Ocwen and the CFPB on Thursday, March 17, 2022. The CFPB is UNOPPOSED. Ocwen is OPPOSED to the humanitarian continuance.

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s/John Burke JOHN BURKE

#### CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

The undersigned counsel certify that this motion complies with the type-volume limitation of Fed. R. App. P. 27(d)(2)(A) because this motion contains **481** words according to Microsoft Word's word count, excluding the parts of the motion exempted by Fed. R. App. P. 32(f).

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PERSONS**

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The undersigned counsel of record certifies pursuant to Eleventh Circuit Rule 26.1-1 that the following listed persons and entities have an interest in the outcome of this case. It was extracted from the CIP currently listed per the Appeal Docket, *Consumer Financial Protection v. OCN*, et al, No. 21-11314. These representations are made in order that the judges of this Court may evaluate possible disqualification or recusal.

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