

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

QUINTIN SCOTT, et al.,)	
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<i>Plaintiffs,</i>)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 17-cv-7135
)	
SHERIFF OF COOK COUNTY and)	Hon. Martha M. Pacold
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS)	Magistrate Hon. David Weisman
)	
<i>Defendants.</i>)	

**DEFENDANTS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSIVE PLEADING**

Defendants, SHERIFF OF COOK COUNTY, and COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, by their attorney EILEEN O'NEILL BURKE, State's Attorney of Cook County, through her Special Assistant State's Attorneys, JOHNSON & BELL, LTD., respectfully request a two-week extension of time to file a responsive pleading to Plaintiff's second amended complaint. In support of their motion, Defendants state as follows:

1. On June 17, 2025, the Court ordered Defendants to file a responsive pleading to Plaintiff's second amended complaint by July 8, 2025. (Minute Entry, ECF No. 245.)
2. On June 30, 2025, Defendants served offers of judgment on the plaintiffs named in Plaintiff's second amended complaint. (2d Am. Compl., ECF No. 247.)
3. The offers of judgment expire on July 14, 2025.
4. Defendants request to reset the deadline to file their responsive pleading until after the expiration of the offers of judgment.

5. As of the filing of this motion, at least one plaintiff, Darius Scott, Sr., has accepted the offer of judgment. It is possible that one or more other plaintiffs will also accept the offers of judgment.

6. The substance of Defendants' responsive pleading will depend on which plaintiffs accept the offers of judgment. Defendants will save time and resources by submitting a responsive pleading that addresses only the claims of the plaintiffs who remain in the case after the expiration of the offers of judgment.

7. If Defendants file a responsive pleading by the current deadline of July 8, 2025, they will have to address claims of plaintiffs who may no longer be in the case if the offers of judgment are accepted.

8. Therefore, Defendants request a two-week extension of time, until July 22, 2025, to file a responsive pleading.

9. This motion is not brought for the purpose of delay but rather to file a responsive pleading after the expiration of the offers of judgment to save Defendants time and resources responding to claims of plaintiffs who may no longer be in the case.

10. Plaintiff's counsel does not oppose the motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendants SHERIFF OF COOK COUNTY, and COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, respectfully request that this Honorable Court grant a two-week extension of time, until July 22, 2025, to file a responsive pleading to Plaintiff's second amended complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

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