Case No. 83415

## In the Supreme Court of Nevada

BARRICK GOLD CORPORATION,

Petitioner,

vs.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Clark; and the Honorable ELIZABETH GOFF GONZALEZ, District Judge,

Respondents,

and

BULLION MONARCH MINING, INC.,

Real Party in Interest.

District Court Case No. A785913

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## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER TO PETITION

Bullion Monarch Mining, Inc. requests an extension through March 9, 2022, to file its answer to the petition. NRAP 31(b)(3). This is the second such motion following the parties' stipulation. Without an extension, the brief would be due February 7, 2022. No requests for extension have been denied or denied in part.

Extreme circumstances necessitate the extension. Lead appellate counsel, in addition to having to deal with his own health problems, had to care for a sick family member and his grandchild. Counsel have also faced a shortage of attorneys to assist with this and other briefs. In the district court in this case, Bullion's counsel have had to focus on the preparation of three summary judgment motions and oppositions to seven summary-judgment motions by Barrick. To meet the demand, counsel engaged counsel from other offices, all of whom had to be brought up to speed on this complex matter. Unfortunately, those district-court proceedings made it challenging to complete the answer in these writ proceedings. And while counsel understands that their caseload, without other reasons, may not justify an extension, counsel had to assist on an emergency basis with another case where confidential trade secrets of a Fortune 10 company and its subsidiaries are being threatened to be released to the public domain. This was on top of another appellate brief that needed to be filed today.

Counsel remain optimistic that despite these setbacks, they will prepare and file the brief before the requested deadline. The Court's consideration of this extension is greatly appreciated.

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Dated this 7th day of February, 2022.

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I certify that on February 7, 2022, I submitted the foregoing "Motion for Extension of Time to Answer to Petition" for filing *via* the Court's eFlex electronic filing system. Electronic notification will be

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