

IN THE  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Petitioner,*

v.

REFUGIO PALOMAR-SANTIAGO,  
*Respondent.*

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**On Writ of Certiorari to the United States  
Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit**

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**BRIEF FOR THE NATIONAL IMMIGRATION  
PROJECT, THE IMMIGRANT DEFENSE  
PROJECT, AND THE NATIONAL IMMIGRANT  
JUSTICE CENTER AS AMICI CURIAE  
SUPPORTING RESPONDENT**

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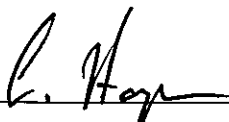
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