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NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES.

Petitioner,

V.

MAXWELL KADEL; JASON FLECK; CONNOR THONEN-FLECK, BY HIS NEXT FRIENDS AND PARENTS; JULIA MCKEOWN; MICHAEL D. BUNTING, JR.; C.B., BY HIS NEXT FRIENDS AND PARENTS; SAM SILVAINE,

Respondents.

As required by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(h), I certify that the Petition for Writ of Certiorari contains 7,730 words, excluding the parts of the Petition that are exempted by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(d).

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on November 2, 2021.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me by said Affiant on the date designated below.

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