

No. 21-972

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

THOMAS H. BUFFINGTON,
Petitioner,

v.

DENIS MCDONOUGH,
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,
Respondent.

**BRIEF OF INDIANA, ARIZONA, AND THIRTEEN
OTHER STATES AS *AMICI CURIAE*
IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER**

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