

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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No. 21-972

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THOMAS BUFFINGTON, *Petitioner*,

v.

DENIS MCDONOUGH, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, *Respondent*.

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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