IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP, INC.; HELIX WELL OPS, INC.,

Petitioners,

 \mathbf{v} .

MICHAEL J. HEWITT,

Respondent.

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

BRIEF FOR THE STATES OF MISSISSIPPI, ALABAMA, LOUISIANA, MONTANA, UTAH, AND WEST VIRGINIA AS AMICI CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS

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