

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

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HAMID AKHAVAN AND RUBEN WEIGAND,  
*Petitioners,*

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Respondent.*

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**On Petition for a Writ Of Certiorari to the  
United States Court Of Appeals  
for the Second Circuit**

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**PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

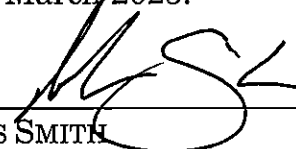
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