

**\*CAPITAL CASE\***

No. \_\_\_\_\_

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

STEVEN LAWAYNE NELSON,

*Applicant,*

v.

BOBBY LUMPKIN, DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE,  
CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION,

*Respondent.*

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ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE  
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

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As required by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(h), I, Meaghan VerGow, a member of the bar of this Court, hereby certify on this 11th day of December, 2023, that the Petition for a Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned case contains 8,908 words, excluding the parts of the document that are exempted by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(d).

*/s/ Meaghan VerGow*  
Meaghan VerGow