

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

CHRISTOPHER THOMAS,

Petitioner,

v.

TRACY PACHOTE,

Respondent.

**On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the
United States Court of Appeals
for the Ninth Circuit**

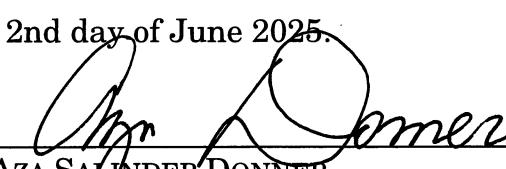
**BRIEF OF CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF COUNTIES AND THE CALIFORNIA
FORCE INSTRUCTORS' ASSOCIATION AS
AMICI CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER**

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