

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

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MICHAEL NELSON CURRIER,  
*Petitioner,*

v.

VIRGINIA,  
*Respondent.*

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On Writ of Certiorari  
to the Supreme Court of Virginia

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**BRIEF FOR PETITIONER**

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