

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

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DAVID and AMY CARSON, as parents and  
next friends of O.C., and TROY and ANGELA NELSON,  
as parents and next friends of A.N. and R.N.,

*Petitioners,*

v.

A. PENDER MAKIN, in her official capacity as  
Commissioner of the Maine Department of Education,

*Respondent.*

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

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**BRIEF FOR *AMICI CURIAE*  
THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE - MEMPHIS CHAPTER,  
REV. VERNON HORNER, DEBORAH L.  
WOMACK, DEACON GEORGE WOMACK,  
AND REV. STEVEN JOINER  
IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS**

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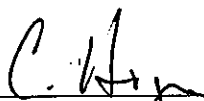
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