

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

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DAVID CARSON, as Parent  
and Next Friend of O.C., et al.,

*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 OF AMERICAN ATHEISTS  
AS AMICUS CURIAE  
IN SUPPORT OF RESPONDENT**

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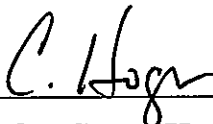
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