

## **U.S. Department of Justice**

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Honorable Scott S. Harris Clerk Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D.C. 20543

> Re: <u>McClinton v. United States</u>, No. 21-1557 <u>Luczak v. United States</u>, No. 21-8190 <u>Shaw v. United States</u>, No. 22-118 <u>Karr v. United States</u>, No. 22-5345 <u>Bullock v. United States</u>, No. 22-5828 <u>Cain v. United States</u>, No. 22-6212 <u>Sanchez v. United States</u>, No. 22-6386

Dear Mr. Harris:

The above-captioned pending petitions for writs of certiorari seek this Court's review of related questions about the constitutionality of a court's consideration at sentencing of conduct that a jury did not find beyond a reasonable doubt, but which the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence. As the government previously informed the Court, the United States Sentencing Commission had proposed amendments to the Sentencing Guidelines that would have prohibited consideration of certain forms of acquitted conduct for certain sentencing purposes. See 88 Fed. Reg. 7180, 7224-7225 (Feb. 2, 2023).

This letter is submitted to make the Court aware that, after receiving public comments, the Sentencing Commission has voted to adopt and send to Congress amendments to the Sentencing Guidelines that do not address the use of acquitted conduct at sentencing. See U.S. Sentencing Commission, *Adopted Amendments (Effective November 1, 2023)*, www.ussc.gov/guidelines/ amendments/adopted-amendments-effective-november-1-2023. The Chair stated that the Committee "intend[s] to resolve questions involving acquitted conduct next year." *Remarks as Prepared for Delivery by Chair Carlton W. Reeves* 23 (Apr. 5, 2023), www.ussc.gov/sites/default/ files/pdf/amendment-process/public-hearings-and-meetings/20230405/20230405\_remarks.pdf.

I would appreciate it if you could circulate this letter to Members of the Court.

Sincerely,

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