

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

KATHERINE K. VIDAL, Under Secretary of Commerce for
Intellectual Property and Director, United States Patent
and Trademark Office

Petitioner,

v.

STEVE ELSTER,

Respondent.

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

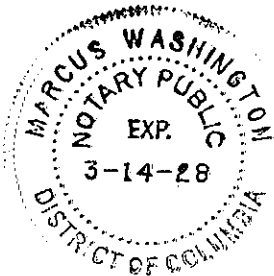
BRIEF OF RESPONDENT

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of September 2023.



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District of Columbia

My commission expires March 14, 2028.