

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

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UNITED STATES, PETITIONER,

v.

ALI DANIEL HEMANI

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*ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT*

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**BRIEF OF PROFESSOR JOEL S. JOHNSON  
AS AMICUS CURIAE SUPPORTING RESPONDENT**

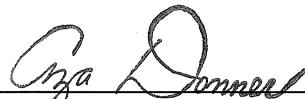
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