IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

MICHAEL WATSON, MISSISSIPPI SECRETARY OF STATE,

Petitioner,

v.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, ET AL.,

Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

BRIEF FOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY RESPONDENTS IN OPPOSITION

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