

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

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L.M., a minor by and through his father and  
stepmother and natural guardians, Christopher and  
Susan Morrison,

*Petitioner,*

v.

TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS, *et al.*,

*Respondent.*

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*On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the  
United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit*

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**BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE STATE OF SOUTH  
CAROLINA, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, AND  
16 OTHER STATES IN SUPPORT OF  
PETITIONER**

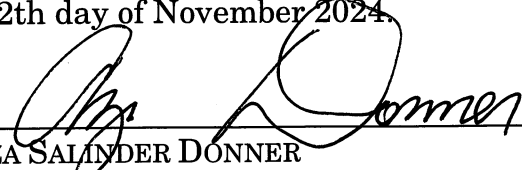
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