SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 24-872 X
JOHN Q. HAMM, COMMISSIONER, ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, $Petitioner,$
v.
$ \begin{array}{c} {\rm JOSEPH~CLIFTON~SMITH,} \\ {\it Respondent.} \end{array} $
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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
As required by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(h), I certify that the document contains 7,347 words, excluding the parts of the document that are exempted by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(d).
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on this 11th day of August, 2025.
Julie Connor

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 11th day of August, 2025.

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