IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JOHN Q. HAMM, COMMISSIONER, ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, PETITIONER

v.

JOSEPH CLIFTON SMITH

(CAPITAL CASE)

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