

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

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CHARLES RAY CRAWFORD,  
*Petitioner,*  
v.

BURL CAIN, COMMISSIONER, MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF  
CORRECTIONS; EARNEST LEE, SUPERINTENDENT,  
MISSISSIPPI STATE PENITENTIARY,  
*Respondents.*

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

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**BRIEF IN OPPOSITION**


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**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

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