

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 25-

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KEVIN STEELE,

*Petitioner,*

*v.*

DOUGLAS A. COLLINS, SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,

*Respondent.*

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**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

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