IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

AARON RAYSHON WELLS,

Petitioner,

v.

TEXAS,

Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas

BRIEF FOR THE RUTHERFORD INSTITUTE AS AMICUS CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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