

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

HICKORY HEIGHTS HEALTH AND REHAB, LLC;
CENTRAL ARKANSAS NURSING CENTERS, INC.;
NURSING CONSULTANTS, INC.; AND MICHAEL MORTON,

Petitioners,

v.

YASHIKA WATSON, AS GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON AND
ESTATE OF ZEOLA ELLIS III,

Respondent.

**On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the
Arkansas Court of Appeals, Divisions IV & I**

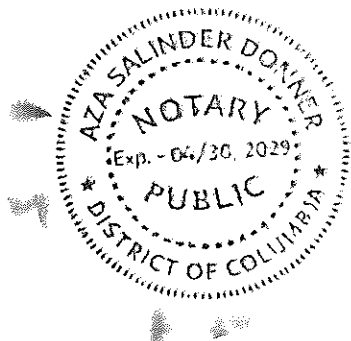
**BRIEF OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
INDEPENDENT BUSINESS SMALL BUSINESS
LEGAL CENTER, INC. AS *AMICUS CURIAE*
IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS**


CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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District of Columbia
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