

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 and I*

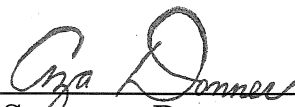
**BRIEF OF AMICI CURIAE STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA AND 19 OTHER STATES IN
SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS**

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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