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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

STEPHEN ELLIOT POWERS, *Petitioner*,

v.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, *Respondent*

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Respectfully submitted,

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