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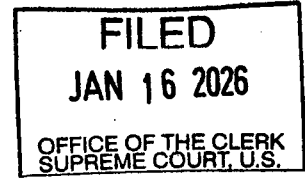
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

KENNETH R. DEVORE, Petitioner


v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit


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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

Whether, after *Bowe v. United States* (Jan. 9, 2026), a court of appeals may deny authorization to file a successive motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 by adjudicating the merits of proposed claims and importing restrictions not contained in § 2255(h), contrary to governing Supreme Court precedent.

LIST OF PARTIES

Petitioner: Kenneth R. DeVore
Respondent: United States of America

OPINIONS BELOW

The order of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit is included in the appendix.

JURISDICTION

The judgment of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit was entered on January 5, 2026. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1254(1).

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The decision below directly conflicts with this Court's decision in *Bowe v. United States*.


REASONS FOR GRANTING THE WRIT

1. The decision below conflicts with *Bowe v. United States*.
2. The court of appeals exceeded its statutory gatekeeping authority.
3. The issue is recurring and nationally significant.

CONCLUSION

The petition for a writ of certiorari should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. DeVore 

Date: February 23, 2026