

No. 25-7667

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

ERNEST N. LOTCHES,

Petitioner,

v.

COREY FHUERE, Superintendent, Oregon State Penitentiary,

Respondent.

PROOF OF MAILING: RESPONDENT'S BRIEF IN OPPOSITION

I, Paul L. Smith, a member of the Bar of the Court, hereby certify that on October 15, 2026, in compliance with Rule 29, I mailed the brief of Corey Fhuere, Superintendent, Oregon State Penitentiary, as respondent in the above-entitled case, by depositing 1 original and 10 copies thereof in the United States Postal Service mailbox, express mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the Office of the Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, 1 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20543.

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PROOF OF SERVICE: RESPONDENT'S BRIEF IN OPPOSITION

I, Paul L. Smith, a member of the Bar of the Court, hereby certify that on October 15, 2026, three copies of the brief of Corey Fhuere, Superintendent, Oregon State Penitentiary, as respondent in the above-entitled case were served upon Jonah Joshua Horwitz, attorney for petitioner, by mail delivery to the Federal Defender Services of Idaho, 702 W. Idaho St. Suite 900, Boise, ID 83702, Telephone: (208) 331-5530. I further certify that all parties required to be served have been served.

/s/ Paul L. Smith

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