

IN THE  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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WILL MC RANEY,

*Petitioner,*

v.

THE NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD OF THE  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.,

*Respondent.*

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

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**BRIEF OF CURRENT AND FORMER  
BAPTIST LEADERS AS AMICI CURIAE  
SUPPORTING PETITIONER**

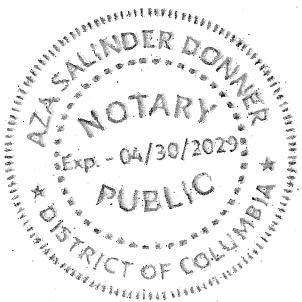
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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My commission expires April 30, 2029.