

February 3, 2026

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Scott S. Harris
Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of the United States
One First Street NE
Washington, DC 20543

Re: *Hedgepeth v. Britton*, No. 25-819

Dear Mr. Harris:

On January 20, 2026, respondents waived their right to respond to the petition for a writ of certiorari in the above-captioned case. The petition was accordingly distributed on January 28, 2026 for Conference on February 20, 2026.

On behalf of the petitioner, I write to inform the Court that the Cato Institute, Equal Protection Project, and Pacific Legal Foundation each intend to file a separate brief as *amicus curiae* in support of the petition. The Manhattan Institute and Defense of Freedom also intend to file a brief as *amici curiae* in support of the petition. Unless the Court alters their deadline by calling for a response to the petition before February 11, 2026, these *amici* intend to file their briefs by that date. Petitioner respectfully requests that this letter be circulated with the petition for a writ of certiorari.

Sincerely,

s/Paul D. Clement
Paul D. Clement

Counsel for Petitioner

cc: Counsel of Record