

Nos. 26A428
CAPITAL CASE

IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

KENNETH NELSON, WARDEN,
Movant,

v.

CHRISTA PIKE,
Respondent.

BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO
APPLICATION TO VACATE THE STAY

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

EXECUTION SCHEDULED SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M. (Central)

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I, Luke P. Ihnen, a member of the Bar of this Court, hereby certify pursuant to Rule 29.5(b) of the Supreme Court Rules that on September 30, 2026, the original of the Response Brief in Opposition to the United States Supreme Court and supplemental appendix were mailed, first class postage prepaid, to Mr. Scott S. Harris, Clerk, United States Supreme Court, 1 First Street N.E., Washington, DC 20543, and that I mailed, first class postage prepaid, one copy of the petition and appendices to Mr. Jonathan Skrmetti, Attorney General & Reporter, Mr. John Bledsoe, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Tennessee Attorney General and Reporter, P.O. Box 20207, Nashville, TN 37202. I further certify that all parties required to be served have been served.

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