

BOYDEN GRAY PLLC
800 CONNECTICUT AVE. NW, SUITE 900
WASHINGTON, DC 20006
(202) 955-0620

December 4, 2024

Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Riley v. Garland*, No. 23-1270

Mr. Harris:

On November 4, 2024, the Court granted the petition for a writ of certiorari in this case. Later that same day, undersigned counsel—who represents *amici curiae* comprising several former U.S. Attorneys General who filed a brief opposing certiorari when Respondent declined to do so—filed a motion to be appointed to defend the judgment below.

No party opposed that motion, but four weeks later, on December 1, 2024, the Clerk’s office informed undersigned that the only mechanism for seeking such relief would be to file a merits-stage *amicus* brief and then a motion for leave to participate in oral argument and for divided argument.

Amici promptly prepared and filed those two documents on the morning of December 3, 2024. Later that day, the Court appointed Stephen Hammer to defend the judgment below.

Given Mr. Hammer’s appointment, *amici* withdraw their December 3 motion for leave to participate in oral argument and for divided argument.

Respectfully,

/s/ R. TRENT MCCOTTER
BOYDEN GRAY PLLC
800 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 900
Washington, DC 20006
202-706-5488
tmccotter@boydengray.com

cc: All Counsel