IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

State of West Virginia, et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

B.P.J., by next friend and mother, Heather Jackson, Respondent.

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

BRIEF FOR THE STATES OF ARKANSAS, ALABAMA, AND 24 OTHER STATES AS AMICI CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS

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