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Petitioner contends (Pet. 10-27) that 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(1), the federal statute that prohibits a person from possessing a firearm if he has been convicted of “a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year,” ibid., violates the Second Amendment on its face. See Pet. 2, 10 (describing petitioner’s challenge as facial); Pet. App. 1 (discussing petitioner’s claim that Section 922(g)(1) “facially violates the Second Amendment”). For the reasons set out in the government’s brief in opposition in French v. United States, No. 24-6623 (filed Apr. 11, 2025), that contention does not warrant this Court’s review. As the government explained in French, the claim that

Section 922(g)(1) violates the Second Amendment on its face plainly lacks merit, and every court of appeals to consider the issue since United States v. Rahimi, 602 U.S. 680 (2024), has determined that the statute has at least some valid applications.

The petition for a writ of certiorari should be denied.*

Respectfully submitted.

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* A copy of the government's brief in opposition in French is being served on petitioner. The government waives any further response to the petition for a writ of certiorari unless this Court requests otherwise.