No. 24-43

IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA; WEST VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; WEST VIRGINIA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES COMMISSION; W. CLAYTON BURCH, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS STATE SUPERINTENDENT; AND LAINEY ARMISTEAD,

Petitioners,

v.

B.P.J., BY NEXT FRIEND AND MOTHER, HEATHER JACKSON,

Respondent.

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

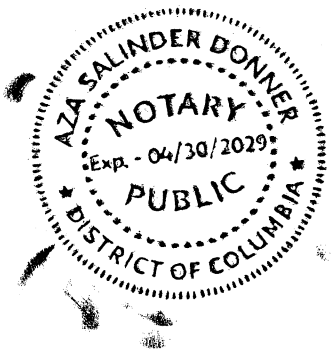
BRIEF FOR RESPONDENT B.P.J.

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