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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

JUSTIN and LYNDY MECKLENBURG,)

Petitioners,)

v.)

KINGFISHER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL)
DISTRICT NO. 7 OF KINGFISHER)
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, a/k/a)
KINGFISHER PUBLIC SCHOOLS;)
DAVID GLOVER, Superintendent of)
Kingfisher Public Schools; OKLAHOMA)
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;)
OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF)
EDUCATION; and RYAN WALTERS,)
State Superintendent of Public Instruction;)

Respondents.)

Case No. _____

#121552

**APPLICATION TO ASSUME ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
AND PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS**

The minor children at Kingfisher Public Schools (KPS) face a clear and present danger. Across the state, child abuse has infiltrated and run rampant in our school system. It seems like every week there is a new story about a public-school employee accused of abusing children in Oklahoma schools—or failing to stop abuse before it was too late:

- *Former Ninnekah Girls Basketball Coach Pleads Guilty in Sexual Grooming Case* THE OKLAHOMAN (August 17, 2023, Josh Dulaney);¹
- *Former Oklahoma Teacher, School District Named in Lawsuit with Sexual Abuse Allegations: The alleged victim was a special needs student*, KOCO: NEWS 5 (August 2, 2023, Evan Onstot);²

¹ <https://www.oklahoman.com/story/news/2023/08/17/former-ninnekah-high-school-coach-ronald-gene-akins-sexual-abuse-plea/70614655007/>.

² <https://www.koco.com/article/oklahoma-teacher-sexual-abuse-allegations/44717115>.

