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No. 15-5238

Title: Lester Ray Nichols, Petitioner

v.

United States

Docketed: July 16, 2015

Lower Ct: United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

Case Nos.: (14-3041)

Decision Date: December 30, 2014

Rehearing Denied: April 15, 2015

Questions

Presented

~~~Date~~~ ~~~~~Proceedings and Orders~~~~~

Jul 14 2015 Petition for a writ of certiorari and motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis filed.  
(Response due August 17, 2015)

Aug 12 2015 Order extending time to file response to petition to and including September 16, 2015.

Sep 16 2015 Brief of respondent United States in opposition filed.

Sep 25 2015 Reply of petitioner Lester Ray Nichols filed.

Oct 1 2015 DISTRIBUTED for Conference of October 16, 2015.

Oct 26 2015 DISTRIBUTED for Conference of October 30, 2015.

Nov 2 2015 DISTRIBUTED for Conference of November 6, 2015.

Nov 6 2015 Motion to proceed in forma pauperis and petition for a writ of certiorari GRANTED limited to Question 1 presented by the petition.

Dec 15 2015 The time to file the joint appendix and petitioner's brief on the merits is extended to and including December 23, 2015.

Dec 15 2015 The time to file respondent's brief on the merits is extended to and including January 26, 2016.

Dec 23 2015 SET FOR ARGUMENT ON Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Dec 23 2015 Joint appendix filed. (Statement of costs filed)

Dec 23 2015 Brief of petitioner Lester Ray Nichols filed.

Jan 4 2016 Record requested from the U.S.C.A. 10th Circuit.

Jan 7 2016 Record received from the U.S.C.A. 10th Circuit is electronic and located on PACER with the exception of 1 envelope.

Jan 15 2016 CIRCULATED.

Jan 26 2016 Brief of respondent United States filed. (Distributed)

Feb 10 2016 Supplemental brief of respondent United States filed. (Distributed)

Feb 19 2016 Reply of petitioner Lester Ray Nichols filed. (Distributed)

Mar 1 2016 Argued. For petitioner: Daniel T. Hansmeier, Kansas City, Kan. For respondent: Curtis E. Gannon, Assistant to the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

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