

Per Curiam

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SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 09–37

PUPPYLOFTUS18 *v.* UNITED STATES DISTRICT
COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA *EX REL.*
KIND_YADA

ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT
COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

[July 10, 2020]

PER CURIAM.

In any proceeding challenging a contempt order, federal law requires that the defense of that order be presented by the District Court Judge who issued it. Here, the District Court declines to stand in petitioner’s opposition. As the District Court has not provided any specific reasons why the order should not be overturned or made any attempt to defend or justify any features of the order, such as its length, we can find no basis for affirming the order. Therefore, without determining whether it was originally justified, we vacate the contempt order.

It is so ordered.