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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

RICHARD GERALD JORDAN, Petitioner,

V.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, Respondent.

ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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COMES NOW THE PETITIONER Richard Jordan, by Counsel of Record, James W. Craig, a member of the Bar of this Court, and moves this Court for leave to proceed in forma pauperis. In support of this motion, counsel represents as follows to this Court:

- 1. Richard Jordan is an indigent prisoner housed on Unit 29 of the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman, Mississippi. He has been so confined since 1977. He has no funds to secure counsel.
- 2. This Court has granted Mr. Jordan leave to proceed in forma pauperis since his incarceration. See Jordan, et al. v. Fisher, et al., No. 16-6903; Jordan v. Fisher, No. 14-8035; Jordan v. Mississippi, No. 01-6421; Jordan v. Mississippi, No. 78-6577. The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit has likewise granted Mr. Jordan leave to proceed in forma pauperis in previous cases. See Jordan v. Epps, 756 F.3d 395 (5th Cir. 2014) (No. 10-70030).
 - 3. An affidavit in support of this Motion is attached as Exhibit A.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner requests that this Court grant him leave to proceed in forma pauperis under Rule 39 of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

This, the 13th day of December, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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