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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER TERM, 2017

STEVEN LEE, *PETITIONER*

-v-

STATE OF OHIO, *RESPONDENT*

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court of Ohio

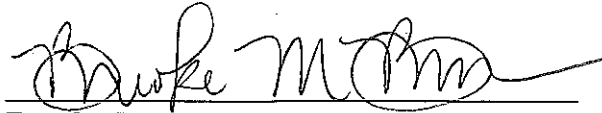
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner Steven Lee, through undersigned counsel, respectfully requests leave to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court of Ohio, without prepayment of costs or fees, and to proceed *in forma pauperis*, pursuant to SUP. CT. R. 39.

As of December 21, 2017, Steven Lee is incarcerated in an Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections institution. He is 20 years old and without the means to retain counsel. In 2014, because of indigent circumstances, the Office of the Ohio Public Defender was appointed as counsel to represent Mr. Lee in state appellate court proceedings. (Exhibit A). Mr. Lee has proceeded in *forma pauperis* throughout those state court proceedings. The appointment entry in support of this motion is attached. (Exhibit A).

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Ohio Public Defender

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brooke M. Burns", written over a horizontal line.

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CRIMINAL DIVISION

State of Ohio,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 13CR-08-4183

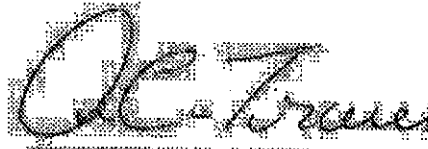
Steven Lee,

Judge Travis

Defendant.

ENTRY

The Court hereby appoints State of Ohio Public Defender as counsel for the purpose of appeal in the above case.



Alan C. Travis, Visiting Judge

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