In the Supreme Court of the United States

ROBERT SECORD, PETITIONER v.
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner, Robert Eugene Secord, by his undersigned counsel and pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, moves this Honorable Court for leave to proceed *in forma* pauperis. In support of his motion, Petitioner states as follows:

- 1. Petitioner Robert Eugene Secord is filing a petition for a writ of certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, seeking review of the order of the Sixth Circuit issued on September 21, 2017, denying his motion to vacate, set aside, or correct his sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. *United States v. Robert Eugene Secord*, No. 17-1477 (6th Cir., September 21, 2017) (unpublished).
- 2. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, Jasna Tosic, from the Office of the Federal Public Defender, Western District of Michigan, was appointed to represent Mr. Secord on April 13, 2016, and the Office has continued to represent Mr. Secord since that time.
 - 3. The Office of the Federal Public Defender, Western District of Michigan,

intends to and shall represent Mr. Secord in all proceedings in this Court.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner Robert Eugene Secord respectfully prays this Honorable Court will grant his motion and allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dated: December 19, 2017 /s/ Jasna Tosic

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