DOCKET NO.

IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER TERM, 2017

ANTONIO LEBARON MELTON,

Petitioner,

vs.

STATE OF FLORIDA

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

COMES NOW, the Petitioner, **ANTONIO LEBARON MELTON**, by and through undersigned counsel, and moves for leave of this Court to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this proceeding. Petitioner has been found indigent by each state and federal court in which he has challenged this conviction and sentence and has been permitted to proceed *in forma pauperis* before each of those courts: the Florida Supreme Court; the Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, Florida; the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida; and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

The state circuit court appointed undersigned as Registry Counsel for Mr. Melton, pursuant to Florida Statute § 27.710. Undersigned is responsible for representing Mr. Melton in both his state and federal capital postconviction proceedings. Undersigned is a member of the Florida Bar.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner moves the Court for leave to proceed in this action *in forma pauperis*.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing motion has been furnished by United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, to all counsel of record on April 20, 2018.

/s/. Linda McDermott

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