

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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NORBERTO SERNA

Petitioner,

v.

THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

Respondent.  
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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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Petitioner, NORBERTO SERNA, requests leave to file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeal of the State of California, Sixth Appellate District without prepayment of fees or costs, and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Supreme Court Rules 12.2 and 39; 28 U.S.C. §1915(a). Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is not attached because the California Court of Appeal for the Sixth Appellate District appointed counsel in the current proceedings based on petitioner's indigence. Supreme Court Rule 39.1. The appointment was made under California Penal Code section 1240.

DATED: July 25, 2018

Respectfully submitted,



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