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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

STEFONE DWAYNE PALOMO,
a.k.a. Wayne,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Respondent.

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

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner, pursuant to Rule 39 and 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(6), asks leave to file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis. Petitioner was represented by counsel appointed under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(b) and (c), in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas and on appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. See attached Fifth Circuit order granting motion for appointment of counsel with acceptance email for CJA Counsel of Record, J. Jeffrey Springer.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of November, 2018.



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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT



No. 17-40946
USDC No. 1:15-CR-92-4

A True Copy
Certified order issued Feb 16, 2018

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Style W. Cayce
Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

STEFONE DWAYNE PALOMO, also known as Wayne,

FILED: **2/16/18**
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT COURT
DAVID A. O'TOOLE, CLERK

Defendant-Appellant

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Eastern District of Texas

ORDER:

Stefone Dwayne Palomo moves for the appointment of counsel in his direct criminal appeal. Palomo was represented in district court by retained counsel, but counsel withdrew as Palomo's attorney after the entry of judgment. Palomo filed a pro se notice of appeal, and he has submitted an affidavit demonstrating that he is financially unable to hire counsel for his direct appeal. Accordingly, his motion for the appointment of counsel is GRANTED. See 18 U.S.C. § 3006A; FIFTH CIRCUIT PLAN FOR REPRESENTATION ON APPEAL UNDER THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT, § 3(A). The clerk is directed to establish a briefing schedule once counsel is appointed.

FOR THE COURT:

Michael E. Schneider
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DEPUTY CLERK

Bonita Carter

From: Jeff Springer
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Jann_Wynne@ca5.uscourts.gov
Cc: Bonita Carter; Aubry Dameron
Subject: Re: 17-40946, USA v Stefone Palomo

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Thank you Ms. Wynn. We will accept.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 15, 2018, at 3:02 PM, "Jann_Wynne@ca5.uscourts.gov" <Jann_Wynne@ca5.uscourts.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon. Our court has granted the above referenced defendant - appointment of counsel. Below is an excerpt from the district court docket sheet, as to this defendant.

Please advise if you are willing to accept appointment for representation for defendant Palomo. The next step in our court would be to review the district court docket sheet and order necessary transcript(s). Please advise by responding to this email. Thanks.

Jann Heisser Wynne
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United States Court of Appeals for the
Fifth Circuit
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**U.S. District Court [LIVE]
Eastern District of TEXAS (Beaumont)
CRIMINAL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:15-cr-00092-MAC-ZJH-4
Internal Use Only**

Case title: USA v. Falcon et al

Date Filed: 08/05/2015

Date Terminated: 05/04/2017

Assigned to: Judge Marcia A. Crone
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Zack
Hawthorn
Appeals court case number: 17-40946
5CA

Defendant (4)

Stefone Dwayne Palomo
TERMINATED: 05/04/2017
also known as
Wayne
TERMINATED: 05/04/2017

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Pending Counts

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
METHAMPHETAMINE
(CRIMINAL FORFEITURE)
(1ss)

Highest Offense Level (Opening)

Felony

Disposition

180 months imprisonment cs w/imprisonment in Docket
No. ND-6901 Newton Co Tx District Court, 5 yrs sup/rel,
\$100 special assessment/AMENDED JUDGEMENT DUE
TO CLERICAL ERROR

Terminated Counts

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
ACTUAL METHAMPHETAMINE -
CRIMINAL FORFEITURE

(1)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
METHAMPHETAMINE
(CRIMINAL FORFEITURE)

(1s)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE HCL - CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE

(2)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE (CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE)

(2s)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE HCL (CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE)

(2ss)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE BASE - CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE

(3)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE BASE (CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE)

(3s)

CONSPIRACY TO POSSESS WITH
INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE BASE (CRIMINAL
FORFEITURE)

(3ss)

Highest Offense Level**(Terminated)**

Felony

Complaints

None

Disposition

Dismissed on motion of the government

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Disposition

Plaintiff

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