

DOCKET NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
OCTOBER TERM, 2018

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JASON DIRK WALTON,  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
STATE OF FLORIDA,  
Respondent.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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COMES NOW, the Petitioner, JASON DIRK WALTON, 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 during the past thirty-five years that he has been on Florida's death row, specifically: the Florida Supreme Court; the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit in and for Pinellas County, Florida; the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Undersigned counsel is employed by the Office of the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel for the Southern Region (CCRC-South), an agency of the State of Florida tasked with representing those under a Florida death sentence who are pursuing collateral relief. See Fla. Stat. § 27.702(1) ("The capital collateral regional counsel shall represent each person convicted and sentenced to death in this state for the sole purpose of instituting and prosecuting collateral actions challenging the legality of the judgment and sentence imposed against such person in the state courts, federal courts in this state, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.") As a Special Assistant CCRC-South, the undersigned has serve as Petitioner's state-provided capital collateral for the past two and a half years. Because counsel is employed by CCRC-South which is a state funded agency, the State of Florida pays for undersigned counsel's services as Petitioner's counsel.

Undersigned counsel 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 December 7, 2018.

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