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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

MICHAEL BENANTI, Petitioner,

- vs -

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Respondent.

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

**MOTION OF MICHAEL BENANTI FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED
IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

Petitioner Michael Benanti requests this Court for leave to proceed in forma pauperis to file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Petitioner was granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis in the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit via appointment of the Office of the Federal Public Defender to represent him on appeal. App. 75a. Upon withdrawal of that counsel and Petitioner's request for appointment of new counsel, the Court of Appeals granted Petitioner's request for appointment of new counsel. App. 77a-79a. The court below appointed undersigned counsel to Petitioner, who is indigent, pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A. App. 80a-81a.

Respectfully submitted,

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