IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

ABEL REVILL OCHOA,

Petitioner

v.

LORIE DAVIS,

DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Respondent

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

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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Petitioner asks for leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of fees and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Petitioner is currently incarcerated at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Polunsky Unit in Livingston, Texas. He has previously sought and been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. A copy of that order is attached.

Petitioner's affidavit or declaration of indigency is not attached because the court below appointed counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3599. Copies of the appointment orders are appended.

DATED: April 12, 2019

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

| ABEL REVILL OCHOA, | § | |
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| Petitioner, | § | |
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| V. | § | Civil Action No. 3:09-CV-2277-K |
| | § | ECF |
| RICK THALER, Director, | § | (Death Penalty Case) |
| Texas Department of Criminal Justice | § | |
| Correctional Institutions Division, | § | |
| Respondent. | § | |

ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL

On November 30, 2009, Abel Revill Ochoa ("Petitioner") filed a *Motion for Appointment of Counsel* (doc. #1). Having reviewed the motion to appoint counsel, the Court finds that Petitioner is entitled to the appointment of counsel by the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 3599(a)(2). *See McFarland v. Scott*, 512 U.S. 849, 855-58 (1994). The Court further finds that attorney **Alexander Lee Calhoun** possesses the background, knowledge, and experience to enable him to represent Petitioner with due consideration to the seriousness of the possible penalty and the unique and complex nature of the litigation, and is qualified and willing to accept this appointment as lead counsel. Accordingly, the Court orders as follows:

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Petitioner's *Motion for Appointment of Counsel* (doc. #1) should be, and it is hereby GRANTED, that **Alexander Lee Calhoun** is hereby appointed as lead counsel to represent Petitioner in this cause. Appointed counsel is entitled to compensation in accordance with Volume VII, Chapter II, of the Guide to Judicial Policies and Procedures, which Counsel is directed to read along with the instructions for form CJA 30 in order to ensure proper compensation for time and expenses incurred herein.

A copy of this Order along and CJA 30 forms shall be provided to appointed counsel at the following addresses:

LEAD COUNSEL Alexander Lee Calhoun

Law Office of Alexander Lee Calhoun 7010 W Highway 71 Austin, TX 78735-8300 (512) 420-8850

DATED January 22, 2010.

PAUL D. STICKNEY

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

| No. 17-70016 |
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ABEL REVILL OCHOA,

Petitioner - Appellant

v.

LORIE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION,

Respondent - Appellee

Appeal from the United States District

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

ORDER:

IT IS ORDERED that the attorney motion for the appointment of Mr. Jason Hawkins as co-counsel is GRANTED.

LYLE W. CAYCE, CLERK United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit /s/ Lyle W. Cayce

ENTERED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE COURT

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United States Court of Appeals

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February 28, 2018

MEMORANDUM TO COUNSEL OR PARTIES LISTED BELOW:

Abel Ochoa v. Lorie Davis, Director USDC No. 3:09-CV-2277 No. 17-70016

Enclosed is an order entered in this case.

Sincerely,

LYLE W. CAYCE, Clerk

Monica R. Washington, Deputy Clerk 504-310-7705

Mr. Jason Douglas Hawkins Mr. Stephen M. Hoffman Mr. Paul Edward Mansur