IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

SCOTTY GARNELL MORROW,

Petitioner,

-v.-

BENJAMIN FORD, Georgia Diagnostic Prison,

Respondent.

On Petition for Writ of *Certiorari* to the Supreme Court of Georgia

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner SCOTTY GARNELL MORROW, by and through undersigned counsel, requests leave to file the attached Petition for Writ of *Certiorari* to the Supreme Court of Georgia and Motion for Stay of Execution without prepayment of fees and costs, and to proceed *in forma pauperis*, pursuant to Rule 39 of the Rules of this Court.

In support thereof, Petitioner shows this Court the following:

- 1) Petitioner is currently incarcerated at the Georgia Diagnostic and Classification Prison in Jackson, Georgia. He has been confined in the custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections under sentence of death since 1999. Petitioner was permitted to proceed as an indigent, without payment of costs and fees, in the Superior Court of Butts County and the Supreme Court of Georgia during the proceedings below.
- 2) Petitioner was allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and undersigned counsel was appointed to represent Petitioner, in his federal habeas corpus proceedings in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. *Morrow* v. *Humphrey*, Case No. 2:12-CV-51-SCJ (N.D. Ga).
- 3) Petitioner remains indigent and wishes to seek a writ of certiorari to the Supreme Court of Georgia, which denied his motion for a stay of execution and application for a certificate of probable cause to appeal the final judgement of the Superior Court of Butts County on May 2, 2019.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court grant his motion and allow Petitioner to proceed *in forma pauperis* in

petitioning this Court for a writ of certiorari.

Dated, this the 2nd day of May, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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