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ROBERT SPARKS,
Petitioner,

-v-

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Respondent.

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To the Supreme Court of the United States:

Robert Sparks, a Texas death row inmate, respectfully seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. With this motion he has filed a petition for a writ of certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Mr. Sparks is indigent. He has been incarcerated since his arrest and always had court-appointed lawyers. Mr. Kretzer and Mr. Landers were appointed by the U.S. District Court under the Civil Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, to

represent him in his federal habeas action. Neither Mr. Kretzer or Mr. Landers have received any funds, or the promise of any funds, from any other source other than under the Act for payment of legal fees for his habeas action.

For the reasons set forth above, Petitioner respectfully prays that this Court grant leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of May 2019,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that, on the 3rd day of May 2019, this pleading was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, in an envelope or package correctly addressed, with sufficient postage to assure delivery by certified first-class mail, R.R.R.

Seth Kretzer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on the 9th day of January 2019, a true and correct copy of this motion was mailed by first-class U.S. mail to:

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