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In the  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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**ANTONIO DEAN BLACKSTONE**, Petitioner

v.

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, Respondent

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the  
United States Court of Appeals  
for the Ninth Circuit

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**Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis**

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Petitioner asks leave to file the attached petition for writ of certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis. Petitioner was represented by counsel appointed in the trial court under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. §3006A(b).

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This motion is brought pursuant to Rule 39.1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

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