# CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (CAPITAL CASE) (18A1190)

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

CHRISTOPHER DEVON JACKSON, *Petitioner*,

v.

LORIE DAVIS, DIRECTOR, *Respondent*.

## PETITIONER'S MOTION AND AFFIRMATION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner, Christopher Jackson, through counsel, respectfully moves for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and submits as follows:

- 1. This case is before the Court on a petition for writ of certiorari.
- 2. Christopher Jackson is a death sentenced prisoner in Texas.
- 3. On February 3, 2015, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas found Petitioner to be indigent and appointed counsel to represent Petitioner in this capital habeas proceeding. A copy of that Order is attached.
- 4. On June 17, 2019, the district court issued an order appointing the office of the Federal Community Defender for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, with whom undersigned counsel is employed, as co-counsel. A copy of that Order is attached.
- 5. Petitioner remains incarcerated today and there has been no change in his financial status. He is without funds to secure the services necessary to proceed in this Court (e.g., printing fees, etc.) or to pay any fees.

6. Undersigned counsel affirms that all statements related above are true and correct

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that this Court allow him to proceed in forma pauperis.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 29, 2019

### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

CHRISTOPHER DEVON JACKSON,

Petitioner,

VS.

S
CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:15-CV-208

WILLIAM STEPHENS,

Respondent.

Respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Christopher Devon Jackson, an inmate on Texas' death row, has filed a motion for the appointment of counsel (Document No. 1) and a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* (Document No. 2). Under 18 U.S.C. § 3599(a)(2), "any [capital habeas petitioner] who is or becomes financially unable to obtain adequate representation . . . shall be entitled to the appointment of one or more attorneys." The Court finds that Jackson is entitled to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The Court authorizes Jackson to proceed without the payment of fees throughout the course of his federal habeas action. The Court APPOINTS the following attorneys to represent Jackson:

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Jackson's attorneys will be compensated at the maximum hourly rate pursuant to 18

U.S.C. § 3599(g)(1). Counsel may submit requests for interim payment for their work.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, this 29th day of January, 2015.

MELINDA HARMON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

United States District Court Southern District of Texas

#### **ENTERED**

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

June 17, 2019 David J. Bradley, Clerk

CHRIS	TOPHER DEVON JACKSON,	§ &	
	Petitioner,	§	
VS.		Ş	CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:015-CV-208
LORIE	DAVIS,	S 8	
	Respondent.	§	

### **ORDER**

Petitioner Christopher Devon Jackson has filed a Motion for Appointment of Co-Counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3599(a)(2). (Docket Entry No. 101). Respondent Lore Davis does not oppose the motion. The Court **GRANTS** Jackson's motion and **APPOINTS** the Capital Habeas Unit from the Federal Community Defender Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania as co-counsel for Jackson.

The Clerk shall provide a copy of this order to the parties.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas this 17 day of June, 2019.

Andrew S. Hanen

United States District Court Judge