In the Supreme Court of the United States

October Term, 2018

JAMES ABRAHAM MATA, PETITIONER,

V.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner James Abraham Mata, by and through his undersigned attorney, and pursuant to Rule 39.1, Supreme Court Rules, and Title 18, United States Code, § 3006A(d)(7), respectfully moves this Honorable Court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and for leave to file the attached Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit without prepayment of fees. Petitioner was represented by appointed counsel under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, as amended, in the district court and the court of appeals. Leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* was never sought in any other court.

Respectfully submitted.

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