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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JOSEPH HOWELL,

Petitioner,

v.

SUPERINTENDENT ROCKVIEW SCI, ET AL.,

Respondents.

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

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner Joseph Howell, through undersigned counsel, moves pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39.1 for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in his concurrently-filed Petition for Writ of Certiorari. Petitioner is indigent; he is serving a sentence of life without the possibility of parole and has been incarcerated continuously since 2002. He has sought and been appointed counsel throughout the proceedings below.

The United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit appointed counsel to represent Mr. Howell on October 11, 2017, when it granted him a certificate of appealability. *See Order, Howell v. Superintendent*, No. 17-1758 (3d Cir. Oct. 11, 2017). Mr. Howell is eligible for the appointment of counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C.

§ 3006A(a)(2)(B). Mr. Howell respectfully requests that this Court allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully submitted,



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