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IN THE  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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JOSEPH BENJAMIN O'DONNELL,  
*Petitioner,*  
v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Respondent.*

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**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

Comes now the Petitioner, Joseph Benjamin O'Donnell, through counsel, and requests that this Honorable Court allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis*. In support of this motion, Petitioner represents as follows:

1. The United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit appointed the Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Maryland to represent Petitioner under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.
2. Petitioner is without hope of funds for employing private counsel.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner, through counsel, requests that this Honorable Court allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis* and that the Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Maryland continue to represent him.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and exact copy of foregoing Motion for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* was mailed first-class, postage, pre-paid this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2020, to: Noel Francisco, The Solicitor General, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530. I also certify that all parties required to be served have been served.

/s/  
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