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In The
Supreme Court of the United States

JUAN BALDERAS,
Petitioner,

v.

TEXAS,
Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

The petitioner, Juan Balderas, seeks leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis.

Mr. Balderas, currently incarcerated on Texas's death row, is represented by the Office of Capital and Forensic Writs, a state public defender agency charged with representing indigent individuals in state post-conviction proceedings. In 2014, the 179th District Court of Harris County, Texas, found that Mr. Balderas was indigent, and he was given court-appointed counsel. Thereafter, the Office of Capital and Forensic Writs was appointed to represent Mr. Balderas in state post-conviction proceedings pursuant to Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 11.071, Section 2. Mr. Balderas has been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis during the entire history of this state post-conviction matter, including in proceedings below before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Wherefore, Mr. Balderas moves this Court for leave to file the attached petition for writ of certiorari in forma pauperis.

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