

IN THE
**SUPREME COURT
OF THE UNITED STATES**

MICHAEL PORTANOVA,
Petitioner

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent

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

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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In accordance with Rule 39 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, Petitioner, Michael Portanova, requests leave to file the enclosed Petition for a writ of certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis* based upon an appointment under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(6). Under the Criminal Justice Act, the Federal Public Defender's Office was appointed to represent the Petitioner in the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Respectfully submitted,

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