

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

MAURICE BURKS,)	
)	
Petitioner,)	No. _____
)	
v.)	
)	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
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Respondent.)	
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_____)	

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner, Maurice Burks, respectfully moves this Court to grant him leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. In support thereof, Mr. Burks shows:

1. Mr. Burks was charged by indictment in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee with engaging in a RICO conspiracy (Count One); conspiracy to distribute controlled substances (Count Two); possessed ammunition as a convicted felon (Count Ten); murdered Malcolm Wright in the aid of racketeering (Count Eleven); brandished and discharged a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence (Count Thirteen); and caused Malcolm Wright's death through the use and carrying of a firearm (Count Fourteen). A United States Magistrate Judge found Mr. Burks to be indigent and appointed undersigned counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006(A).

2. Mr. Burks was allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

3. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, Mr. Burks should be allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this Court.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Burks respectfully requests that this Court:

1. Grant him leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*; and
2. Grant such other relief as this Court deems just.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* was served upon counsel for Respondent, Cecil W. VanDevender, Assistant United States Attorney, 110 Ninth Ave., South, Suite A-961, Nashville, TN 37203-3870, via U.S. Mail, this 12th day of February, 2021.

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