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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

KUANTAU REEDER, Petitioner

Versus

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WARDEN OF THE LOUISIANA STATE PENITENTIARY
Respondent**

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TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

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Now into Court through undersigned counsel, comes Petitioner Kuantau Reeder, who has been incarcerated in the Louisiana State Penitentiary for over thirty years and seeks permission of the Court to proceed with his Petition for Writ of Certiorari *in forma pauperis*. Mr. Reeder's affidavit demonstrating indigency is attached; however, due to the Covid pandemic, the affidavit is not notarized as Mr.

Reeder could not personally appear before a notary. When conditions at the prison permit, counsel will supplement the Record with a formally notarized affidavit.

Mr. Reeder was declared indigent and allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* with his appeal of the federal district court's denial of his petition for habeas corpus by the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Accordingly, in light of the information set forth above, Petitioner Kuantau Reeder requests authorization to file his Writ of Certiorari *in forma pauperis* in accordance with Sup. Ct. Rule 39(1).

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion to Proceed *in Forma Pauperis* has been/will be served upon opposing counsel by hand delivery and/or depositing a copy of same in the United States mail addressed as follows:

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This 19th day of March, 2021.

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