

No. \_\_\_\_\_

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IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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JOHNNIE SIMS,  
*Petitioner,*  
v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Respondent.*

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari  
to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

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**DECLARATION OF FILING**

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NOW COMES Assistant Federal Public Defender Samantha J. Kuhn, court-appointed counsel for Petitioner Johnnie Sims, who hereby states under oath:

1. On Friday October 29, 2021, I electronically filed the Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis and Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned case to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States by using the Court's electronic filing system.

3. Filing these documents in this manner complied with Supreme Court Rules 12 and 29 and with the time limit in Supreme Court Rule 13, as modified by this Court's Order on March 19, 2020, which extended the deadline to file petitions for writs of certiorari to 150 days from the date of the lower court's final judgment.

This petition is being filed within 150 days of the Fifth Circuit's denial of Mr. Sims's timely filed petition for rehearing en banc on June 2, 2021.

I declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 29th day of October, 2021.

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