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

JOEL RIVERA-ALEJANDRO, a/k/a “J”

Petitioner

VS.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Respondent

**PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT**

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

Now Comes Petitioner, who is being held in a United States penitentiary and respectfully requests leave to file the attached Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to Rule 39(1) of this Honorable Court.

Petitioner was represented by Court appointed counsel at trial and on appeal upon appointment of the United States Court for the District of Puerto Rico, and the First Circuit Court of Appeals, pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, as amended 18 U.S.C. Section 3006A(d) and (h)(2)(A).

Accordingly, the Petitioner respectfully prays that he be allowed to dispense with the affidavit requirement, pursuant to Rule 39(1) of this Honorable Court.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 4th day of November 2021.

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