IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

STEPHEN TODD BOOKER,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court of Florida

Motion for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis

THIS IS A CAPITAL CASE

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Counsel for Petitioner, **STEPHEN TODD BOOKER**, asks leave of this Court to allow Petitioner to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this proceeding.

Petitioner was found indigent by the state court and federal district court and was allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Throughout the state court proceedings, Petitioner received the services of counsel appointed pursuant to the criminal justice act.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, counsel respectfully requests that Petitioner be allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully submitted,

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<u>Certificate of Service</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished by United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, to Jason W. Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, PL-01, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399, on this 1st day of July, 2022.

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