

SUPREME COURT
UNITED STATES

RAFAEL CORTEZ-OROPEZA

Petitioner,

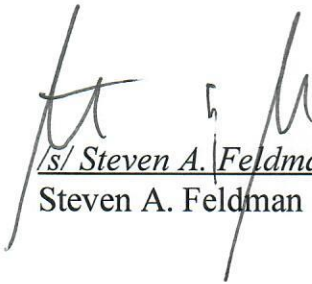
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

The above-named Petitioner requests leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs.

He further requests permission to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Appellant has previously been granted leave to so proceed in the Circuit Court of Appeals, and counsel was appointed, under the Criminal Justice Act. *See* 18 U. S. C. §3006A.


/s/ Steven A. Feldman

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