No. _____(CAPITAL CASE)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

October Term 2021

ROBERT BETHEL,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF OHIO,

Respondent.

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner Robert Bethel respectfully requests leave to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court of Ohio without prepayment of costs or fees and to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to Rule 39. The Supreme Court's entry appointing counsel from the Office of the Ohio Public Defender in the matter below is attached.

Respectfully,

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The Supreme Court of Phio

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Case No. 2020-0648

ENTRY

This cause is pending before the court as an appeal from the Court of Appeals for Franklin County.

Upon consideration of appellant's motion for appointment of counsel, it is ordered by the court that the motion is granted and the Office of the Ohio Public Defender is appointed to represent appellant retroactively to September 1, 2020.

(Franklin County Court of Appeals; No. 19AP324)

Maureen O'Connor Chief Justice