

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

**In the**  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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**STEVEN L. HADEN**, Petitioner,

v.

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**, Respondent.

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the California Court of Appeal,  
First Appellate District, Division Four

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**Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis**

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Petitioner, through his appointed counsel, seeks leave to file  
the attached petition for writ of certiorari to the California Court of  
Appeal, First Appellate District, Division Four, without prepayment  
of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Counsel was appointed in the California Court of Appeal and  
the California Supreme Court pursuant to California Penal Code s  
1240 (a)(1).

This motion is brought under Rule 39 (1) of the Rules of  
the Supreme Court of the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

DATE: December 22, 2022

By: *s/ Gene D. Vorobyov*

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