No. _____

(CAPITAL CASE, NO PENDING EXECUTION DATE)

In the Supreme Court of the United States

ROBERT LESLIE ROBERSON III,

Petitioner,

v.

TEXAS,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner, Robert Leslie Roberson III, asks leave of this Court, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, to proceed in forma pauperis (IFP) in connection with his petition for a writ of certiorari. Mr. Roberson is an indigent prisoner who has been incarcerated on Texas's death row since 2003. Mr. Roberson was previously granted IFP status by Texas's state and federal courts, including this Court. Undersigned counsel of record for Mr. Roberson in this proceeding began representing Mr. Roberson in 2016 while employed by Texas's Office of Capital and Forensic Writs, a state public defender office that provides representation in post-conviction proceedings to indigent individuals who have been sentenced to death, pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Texas Government Code. In 2018, Ms. Sween was appointed by the trial court to continue representing Mr. Roberson while the proceeding below continued. The representation in this Court is being provided pro bono.

Conclusion

Pursuant to Supreme Court 39, Mr. Roberson respectfully requests that he be allowed to proceed in forma pauperis.

Respectfully submitted,

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