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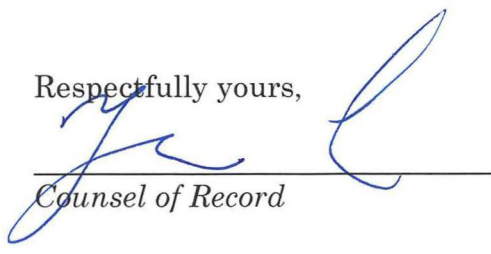
Honorable Scott S. Harris
Clerk
Supreme Court of the United States
Supreme Court Building
1 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: *Jesus Mendez v. United States of America*
No. 22-_____

Dear Mr. Harris:

I enclose the original and ten copies of a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari and Application for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis*. I also enclose a certificate of service.

Respectfully yours,



Counsel of Record

Enclosures

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