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In the Supreme Court of the United States

SEDRICK D. RUSSELL,

Petitioner

v.

J. DENMARK,

Respondent

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari
to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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Sedrick D. Russell respectfully moves for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

In support he states:

1. Mr. Russell desires to file a petition for a writ of certiorari.
2. Mr. Russell has been represented throughout these proceeding by court-appointed counsel.
3. The district court specifically appointed counsel for Mr. Russell pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2) and 28 U.S.C. § 2254(h). A copy of that order of appointment is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
NORTHERN DIVISION**

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PETITIONER

V.

CAUSE NO. 3:14-CV-225-CWR-LRA

J. DENMARK

RESPONDENT

ORDER

Before the Court is a Report and Recommendation (R&R) on Sedrick D. Russell's habeas petition. Docket No. 14. Russell, acting *pro se*, has objected to the R&R's proposed disposition of his case. Docket No. 15.

A review of the petition indicates that the issues it presents are significant not just to Mr. Russell, but to the very functioning of a minimally-adequate criminal justice system. *See, e.g., Patterson v. Hinds Cty., Mississippi*, No. 3:13-CV-432, 2016 WL 7177762 (S.D. Miss. June 10, 2016) (describing speedy trial challenges in Mississippi). Accordingly, the undersigned finds that the interests of justice require appointment of counsel. Attorney Alysson L. Mills is hereby appointed to represent Russell in this proceeding. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2); 28 U.S.C. § 2254(h). The record indicates that Russell is financially eligible for appointed counsel. *See* Docket No. 2.

A copy of this Order will be emailed to Mills, who shall timely file her entry of appearance. An amended objection to the R&R is due by July 26, 2017.

SO ORDERED, this the 3rd day of May, 2017.

s/ Carlton W. Reeves
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE