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**IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

DEMETRIUS VERARDI RAMOS,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

***ON PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT***

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

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Petitioner Demetrius Verardi Ramos, through undersigned counsel, respectfully moves this Court to grant him permission to proceed *in forma pauperis* in respect to his Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit filed herewith. Mr. Ramos does not have assets that would enable him to hire counsel to represent him in connection with the Petition or to file the Petition in this Court. Undersigned counsel's office was appointed to represent Mr. Ramos under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and this office continues to represent Mr. Ramos pursuant to that appointment.

For the above stated reasons, Mr. Ramos respectfully requests that this Court grant him leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* before this Court.

Respectfully submitted: September 18, 2023.

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