

SUPREME COURT CASE NO. _____

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

VAHE SARKISS,
Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

**ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES
COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, COURT OF APPEAL
CASE NO. 21-50266**

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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Under Appointment by the Criminal
Justice Act

The petitioner Vahe Sarkiss by his undersigned counsel, respectfully asks leave to file the attached petition for writ of *certiorari* without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner was represented by counsel appointed in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.

This motion is brought pursuant to Rule 39.1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Dated: October 26, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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