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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

PRAXEDIS SAUL PORTILLO-GONZALEZ,

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 Praxedis Saul Portillo-Gonzalez, 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. Portillo-Gonzalez has no 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. Portillo-Gonzalez under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and this office continues to represent Mr. Portillo-Gonzalez pursuant to that appointment. For the above stated reasons, Mr. Portillo-Gonzalez respectfully requests that this Court grant him leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* before this Court.

Respectfully submitted: February 26, 2024.

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