No. _____

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

LUIS EDUARDO BAEZ,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

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

Petitioner, Luis Eduardo Baez, pursuant to Rule 39 and 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(6), asks leave to file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis. Petitioner was represented by counsel appointed under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(b) and (c), in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas and on appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Respectfully submitted this the 15th day of July, 2024.

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