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(CAPITAL CASE)

EXECUTION DATE OCTOBER 17, 2024

In the

Supreme Court of the United States

ROBERT LESLIE ROBERSON III,

Petitioner,

v.

TEXAS,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner, Robert Leslie Roberson III, asks leave of this Court, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, to proceed in forma pauperis (IFP) in connection with his petition for a writ of certiorari. Mr. Roberson is an indigent prisoner who has been incarcerated on Texas's death row since 2003. Mr. Roberson was previously granted IFP status by Texas's state and federal courts, including this Court. Undersigned counsel of record for Mr. Roberson in this proceeding began representing Mr. Roberson in 2016 while employed by Texas's Office of Capital and Forensic Writs, a state public defender office that provides representation in post-conviction

proceedings to indigent individuals who have been sentenced to death, pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Texas Government Code. In 2018, Ms. Sween was appointed by the trial court to continue representing Mr. Roberson through 2021. Since then, the representation has been pro bono. Ms. Rolls, with the Capital Habeas Unit for the Western District of Oklahoma, was recently appointed to assist in representing Mr. Roberson in federal court.

Conclusion

Pursuant to Supreme Court 39, Mr. Roberson respectfully requests that he be allowed to proceed in forma pauperis.

Respectfully submitted,

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