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In the Supreme Court of the United States

LANDON HANK BLACK, PETITIONER

vs.

STATE OF TENNESSEE, RESPONDENT

*ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE TENNESSEE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS*

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

The petitioner, Landon Black, asks this Court for leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Mr. Black has previously been found indigent and counsel was appointed below by the Knox County Criminal Court. Appointment was made under Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-14-103. The duties of the appointed district public defender, including representation of the indigent defendant on appeal, are set out in Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-104. A copy of the Order of Appointment is attached hereto. Pursuant to Rule 39, no affidavit or declaration is attached as counsel was appointed below.

WHEREFORE, the petitioner respectfully requests that he be permitted to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this matter.

_____/s/ Jonathan Harwell_____
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IN THE CRIMINAL COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY

May 06 2022

By Mike Hammond, Clerk

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS'

CASE NO(S). 119789

Landon Hank Black, a/k/a
Defendant

Defendant

ORDER APPOINTING LEGAL COUNSEL

It appearing, based upon the affidavit of indigency filed in this cause, and after due inquiry made, that the defendant is an indigent person and thereby qualifies for appointed legal counsel.

It is, therefore, ordered that (the District Public Defender)
(_____, Attorney at Law) is hereby appointed as
counsel for the defendant as provided by law.

In accordance with T.C.A. 40-14-103(b) the defendant is assessed a Court-Appointed Administrative Fee in the amount of \$50.00 which shall be paid into the Criminal Court Clerk's Office within two (2) weeks of this date. The Clerk shall receive a commission of five percent (5%) for collecting and disbursing said payments.

In accordance with T.C.A. 40-14-103(b) the Court finds that the defendant lacks financial resources sufficient to pay the Court-Appointed Counsel Administrative Fee.

The Court having previously assessed the Court-Appointed Counsel Administrative Fee in a pending case, said fee is hereby waived as to this appointment.

This 6 day of May, 2022.

Judge