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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

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KAYLE BARRINGTON BATES,

*Petitioner,*

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

*Respondent.*

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**ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
TO THE FLORIDA SUPREME COURT**

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CAPITAL CASE

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**MOTION TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

Petitioner, Kayle B. Bates, requests leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner has been found indigent by each state and federal courts in which he has challenged his conviction and sentence, and he has been permitted to proceed *in forma pauperis* before each of those courts, including: the Florida Supreme Court; the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Bay County, Florida; the United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida; and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (by operation of 11th Circuit Rule 24-1).

Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is not attached because the court below appointed counsel in the current proceeding, and, the appointment was made under

the following provision of law: Chapter 27, Florida Statutes and order of the Florida Supreme Court. Additionally, Mr. Bates was appointed counsel under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. §3006 A and 21 U.S.C §848(q) in the Federal District. Mr. Bates was previously granted IFP status in the state and federal courts

WHEREFORE, and pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, Mr. Bates respectfully requests that he be allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the aforementioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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