

CAPITAL CASE

No. _____

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

VINCENT SIMS,

Petitioner,

vs.

STATE OF TENNESSEE,

Respondent.

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

MOTION TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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Petitioner Vincent Sims respectfully requests that this Court allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis*. In support thereof, Mr. Sims shows:

1. The courts below found Sims indigent. *See* 9/26/17 Order (App. at 7).
2. In a pending capital habeas corpus proceeding, the District Court appointed undersigned counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3599. *See* 11/21/11 Order (R.E. 10), *Sims v. Westbrook*, No. 2:11-cv-02946-JTF-cgc (W.D. Tenn.).

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was placed in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to James E. Gaylord, Office of the Attorney General, P.O. Box 20207, Nashville, Tennessee 37202, on this 12th day of June, 2018.

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