

CASE NO. _____

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 2024 TERM

NAWAZ AHMED,

Petitioner,

vs.

TIM SHOOP, Warden,

Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari

To the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

CAPITAL CASE - NO EXECUTION DATE SET

The petitioner asks leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis.

Petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis in the following court(s): United States District Court for Ohio, S.D., Eastern Division.

Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is not attached because a copy of the order of appointment is appended.

Respectfully submitted,



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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

NAWAZ AHMED,

Petitioner,

v.

MARK C. HOUK, Warden

Respondent.

Case No. 2:07-cv-658

Judge Michael H. Watson

Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

ORDER

Petitioner, a prisoner sentenced to death by the State of Ohio, has pending before this Court a habeas corpus action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. This matter is before the Court to appoint co-counsel for Petitioner.

On January 30, 2018, Attorney David Graeff filed a motion to withdraw as counsel, citing his retirement from the practice of law. ECF No. 129. The Magistrate Judge granted the motion to withdraw, and directed counsel to propose a substitution of counsel. ECF No. 130.

Having conferred with counsel, the Court hereby **APPOINTS** Attorney S. Adele Shank to serve as co-counsel for Petitioner. The Court finds Attorney Shank is more than qualified to represent Petitioner in these proceedings, as she has substantial experience representing capital defendants in post-trial proceedings, including federal habeas corpus. The Court takes notice that Attorney Shank currently serves as lead counsel in at least one other death

penalty habeas corpus action in this Court, to wit: *Scudder v. Mitchell*, 2:00-cv-17
(S.D. Ohio), pending before the Honorable Algenon L. Marbley.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


MICHAEL H. WATSON, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT