

CAPITAL CASE
No. 25A___

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JESSIE HOFFMAN,

Petitioner,

v.

GARY WESTCOTT, SECRETARY, LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS; DARREL VANNOY, WARDEN,
LOUISIANA STATE PENITENTIARY, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY,
JOHN DOES, UNKNOWN EXECUTIONERS,

Respondents.

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari
to the United States Court of Appeals
for the Fifth Circuit

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, the Petitioner, Jessie Hoffman, by and through his court-appointed counsel, requests that the Court grant him leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. In support of this Motion, the Petitioner avers that:

1. Petitioner is unable to afford the cost of representation in this matter.
2. Petitioner proceeded below in the district court and on appeal with court-appointed counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.
3. Counsel was originally appointed by the district court in the Eastern District of Louisiana on December 3, 2024. Order, *Hoffman, v. N. Burl Cain et al.*, No.

09-cv-03041A (E.D. La. Dec. 3, 2024), ECF No. 105. A copy of that appointment is attached. In light of that prior appointment, no affidavit or declaration of petitioner is attached. *See* Sup. Ct. R. 39.1.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner, Jessie Hoffman, by and through undersigned counsel, respectfully requests that he be allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* without payment of filing fees or service of notice fees, and for such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

JESSIE HOFFMAN

CIVIL ACTION

VERSUS

NO. 09-3041

N. BURL CAIN ET AL

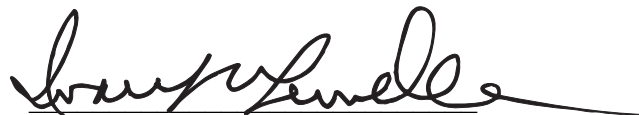
SECTION "B"

ORDER

Considering petitioner Jessie Hoffman's motion to withdraw and substitute CJA counsel of record (Rec. Doc. 104),

IT IS ORDERED that the motion is **GRANTED**, withdrawing CJA-appointed counsel Sarah Ottinger and Caroline Tillman, and substituting Rebecca L. Hudsmith, Federal Public Defender for the Middle and Western District of Louisiana as counsel of record for petitioner in the above-captioned matter.

New Orleans, Louisiana this 3rd day of December, 2024


Senior United States District Judge