

No. 25-248

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

Petitioner,

v.

R.W.,

Respondent.

**On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the
District of Columbia Court of Appeals**

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

Respondent asks leave to file the attached brief in opposition to the petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of fees and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Counsel was appointed to represent Respondent in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals under the District of Columbia Criminal Justice Act, which provides for appointment of counsel for indigent criminal defendants and juveniles alleged to be delinquent. *See* D.C. Code §§ 11-2601 to -2603. A copy of the order of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals appointing counsel for Respondent is appended to this motion. No affidavit or declaration is required. *See* Sup. Ct. R. 39.1.

Respectfully submitted,

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**District of Columbia
Court of Appeals**



No. 23-FS-589 IN RE: R.W.; Appellant

2023-DEL-000106

ORDER

On consideration of the notice of appeal, and it appearing that appellant has been found eligible for court appointed counsel, and it further appearing the record index and record copies have been filed with this court, it is

ORDERED that Samia Fam, Esquire, is hereby appointed to represent appellant in this appeal. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that counsel for appellant shall immediately take the necessary steps to review the trial court record and to ensure that the transcript(s) necessary to the appeal have been ordered and shall, within 30 days from the date of this order, complete and file with this court a single copy of the statement regarding transcripts available for completion online. Where transcript(s) necessary for this appeal have been ordered and completed for non-appeal purposes, appellant must advise the Court Reporting and Recording Division to forward said transcript(s) for inclusion in the record on appeal.

FOR THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julio A. Castillo".

JULIO A. CASTILLO
Clerk of the Court

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