No. \_\_\_\_\_

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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MARCUS DELARS BRANSON, Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Respondent.

## MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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Petitioner Marcus Delars Branson, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39.1, moves for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and for leave to file the accompanying Petition for a Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of fees. Mr. Branson was represented by counsel appointed under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(b) and (c), both in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi and on appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. The order appointing my office is attached to this motion.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI NORTHERN DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

CRIMINAL NO. 3:23cr61-KHJ-LGI

MARCUS DELARS BRANSON

## **ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL**

The Defendant has satisfied the Court after appropriate inquiry that he (1) does not wish to waive representation by counsel, and (2) is financially unable to obtain counsel.

IT IS ORDERED that the Federal Public Defender is appointed to represent the Defendant for all further proceedings and shall remain in effect until terminated or a substitute attorney is appointed or retained.

ORDERED March 28, 2024.

LEKEYSHA GREER ISAAC UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE