

CASE NO. _____

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

FRANCISCO JUNIOR LOUIS,
Petitioner,

versus

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

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MOTION TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner Francisco Junior Louis, through counsel previously appointed for appellate representation through the Criminal Justice Act, pursuant to Rule 39 of the Supreme Court Rules, moves this Court for leave to proceed with the present petition *in forma pauperis*, and states:

1. Francisco Junior Louis has been incarcerated continuously since his arrest and convictions for Hobbs Act robbery. Louis was determined to be indigent for trial and appeal, and received the appointment of counsel for appeal pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act (18 U.S.C. §3006A) on March 2, 2023. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 29.1, a copy of the order appointing counsel for appellate purposes is appended to this motion.

2. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit affirmed petitioner's convictions and sentence on August 8, 2025. *United States v. Louis*, 146 F.4th 1328 (11th Cir. 2025). The Eleventh Circuit denied rehearing on September 16, 2025, Mandate issued on September 24, 2025.

3. Petitioner remains incarcerated and indigent through the filing of his petition for writ of certiorari.

4. Undersigned counsel received the appointment to provide appellate representation to petitioner on March 2, 2023, and continues to represent petitioner through this certiorari petition. Because his financial circumstances remain the same as when he received the appointment of counsel pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act, he should be permitted to proceed *in forma pauperis* for certiorari proceedings in this Court.

5. For these reasons, petitioner asks this Court to grant him leave to proceed on petition for writ of certiorari *in forma pauperis*, waive the filing fee, waive the requirement for 40 printed copies of the petition, and accept the ten typewritten copies of the petition with this motion.

Dated: December 15, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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Signed by Judge Kathleen M. Williams on 3/2/2023.

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Party To Be Represented: Francisco Junior Louis

Dear Counsel:

You have been appointed to represent the above-named individual on appeal pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act (CJA), 18 U.S.C. § 3006A. The compensation you will receive will be based on the provisions of the CJA, Volume 7 of the *Guide to Judiciary Policy*, and the factors in Addendum Four § (g)(1) of the Eleventh Circuit Rules.

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