

IN THE  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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UNITED STATES

*Respondent,*

v.

MARCIA VAZQUEZ-RIJOS

*Petitioner.*

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

COMES NOW, Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos, by and through the undersigned counsel, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39 and 28 U.S.C. § 1915, and hereby respectfully moves this Honorable Court for leave to proceed in forma pauperis.

1. Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos is the defendant in the consolidated case of United States v. Marcia Vazquez-Rijos, No. 19-1312, No. 20-1603, No. 20-1951 and No. 21-1100 and seeks to petition for a certiorari before this Court.
2. Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos is unable to pay the costs of these proceedings or to give security. She is currently in prison and has been since 2019.
3. Movant was represented in the proceedings below by undersigned counsel appointed pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act. 18 USCS § 3006A.
4. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39.1, when counsel is appointed for an indigent party in the court below, no affidavit or declaration of indigency is required. Instead, the motion

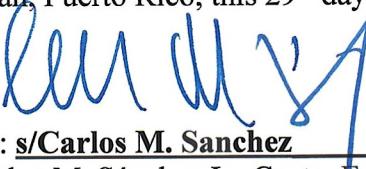
must cite the provision of law under which counsel was appointed or include a copy of the order of appointment. USCS Supreme Ct R 39.

5. Counsel for Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos was appointed by the Court or Appeals for the First Circuit in April of 2019 pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act. A copy of the order appointing counsel is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

6. Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos believes that she is entitled to redress and that the issues to be presented in this case are not frivolous and are being presented in good faith.

WHEREFORE, Movant Marcia Vazquez-Rijos respectfully requests that this Court grant leave to proceed in *forma pauperis* in this matter.

Respectfully submitted in San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025.

  
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# United States Court of Appeals For the First Circuit

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No. 19-1312

UNITED STATES,

Appellee,

v.

MARCIA VAZQUEZ-RIJOS,

Defendant - Appellant.

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## ORDER OF COURT

Entered: May 29, 2019  
Pursuant to 1st Cir. R. 27.0(d)

Appellant's request for appointment of new counsel on appeal is granted. Attorney Carlos M. Sanchez-La Costa is appointed as counsel under the guidelines of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.

Attorneys Artemio Rivera-Rivera and Fernando Omar Zambrana-Aviles are allowed to withdraw as counsel and are directed to forward the case record to Attorney Sanchez-La Costa at PO Box 9023027, San Juan, PR 00902 and provide proof of such service to this court by **June 12, 2019**.

On or before **June 19, 2019**, Attorney Sanchez-La Costa must file a transcript order form, accompanied by a CJA 24 voucher, or a statement certifying that the transcript of all necessary proceedings has been produced and filed in the district court or has already been authorized for production in this court. Please note that any transcript order form filed by previous counsel and not approved for production by this court prior to this appointment order will need to be refiled by replacement counsel.

By the Court:

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