

No. _____

IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

KENNAN ALEXIS,
Petitioner,
v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

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

NOW COMES Petitioner Kennan Alexis, through undersigned counsel, and moves this Honorable Court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and to file the attached Petition for Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of costs, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39 and 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(7). A United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana appointed the Federal Public Defender to represent Mr. Alexis in this proceeding, and he has been incarcerated since that time. *United States v. Alexis*, No. 2:23-cr-223, Rec. Doc. 9 (E.D. La. Oct. 12, 2023) (attached hereto).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully moves this Honorable Court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and to file the attached Petition for Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of costs.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of February, 2026.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CR.NO. 23-223 T

VERSUS

ORDER

KENNAN ALEXIS

Appointing Counsel

Substituting Counsel For:

Ratifying Prior Service

Extending Appointment For Appeal

CHARGE: VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT AND
THE FEDERAL GUN CONTROL ACT

FELONY MISDEMEANOR

The defendant, having satisfied this Court that he/she: (1) is financially unable to employ counsel, and (2) does not wish to waive counsel, and because the interests of justice so require, the Federal Public Defender named below is hereby appointed to represent this defendant in the above designated case until relieved by order of the District Court:

**CLAUDE KELLY, FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, HALE BOGGS FEDERAL BLDG.,
RM 318, 500 CAMP ST, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130 PHONE: (504)589-7930**

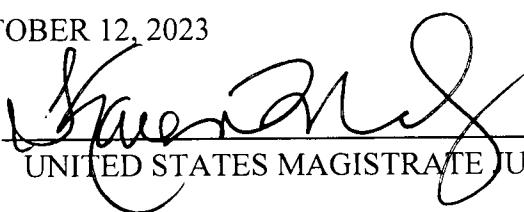
Federal Public Defender is appointed for the limited purpose of:

It appearing to the Court that although the defendant is financially unable to employ counsel, he/she is totally indigent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant pay to the Clerk, U. S. District Court for services of counsel, the total amount of \$ _____ to be paid within 10 working days or by _____.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant is to pay to the Clerk, U.S. District Court, for services of counsel, \$ _____ per month. This amount is to be paid, beginning on _____, 20____, until further orders of the Court.

Dated at New Orleans, Louisiana, on OCTOBER 12, 2023


UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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