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**In the Supreme Court of the United States**

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JESUS AARON RAMIREZ,  
*Petitioner,*

VERSUS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Respondent.*

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

MOTION TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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TO THIS HONORABLE COURT:

Jesus Aaron Ramirez, Petitioner, through counsel, hereby requests leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and would show as follows.

Mr. Jesus Aaron Ramirez filed an affidavit in the U.S. District Court indicating his financial condition to the Court and requested that counsel be appointed to represent him. Mr. Jesus Aaron Ramirez's financial condition had not improved by his interview with U.S. Probation in connection with his Presentence Investigation Report. Since then, he has remained in custody, and his financial condition has not improved.

Mr. Jesus Aaron Ramirez was appointed trial counsel by the U.S. District Court, and the undersigned was appointed on appeal under 18 U.S.C. Section 3006A.

FOR THESE REASONS, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, Jesus Aaron Ramirez respectfully requests leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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