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

NELSON EVANS,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner, Nelson Evans, by counsel, moves this Court to allow him to proceed *in forma pauperis*, without the payment of fees or costs.

Petitioner has been incarcerated with only *de minimus* income since his arrest in October, 2020. He has been represented by CJA counsel throughout these proceedings. A copy of the most recent Order appointing CJA counsel is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted on this 19th day of May, 2026.

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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 24-4037
(2:20-cr-00090-JAG-LRL-4)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff - Appellee

v.

NELSON EVANS

Defendant - Appellant

ORDER

The court appoints Gerald Thomas Zerkin to represent Nelson Evans on appeal. Counsel is referred to the [CJA Payment Memorandum](#) and the [CJA eVoucher Page](#) for information on appointment terms and procedures.

If preparation of transcript is necessary, CJA authorization for preparation of transcript is obtained by submitting an AUTH-24 request in the district eVoucher system. New appellate counsel must contact district eVoucher staff for appointment to the underlying district court case in order to submit the AUTH-24 request for district judge approval and the CJA 24 voucher for transcript payment.

Counsel must also submit a Transcript Order Form to the court reporter and district court and file the same in the court of appeals with the docketing statement. Upon filing of the Transcript Order Form, the Fourth Circuit will set deadlines for completion of the transcript.

CJA 20 and 21 vouchers are submitted for payment through the Fourth Circuit's CJA eVoucher system. Upon receiving email notification of this appointment from eVoucher, counsel may create CJA 20 and 21 vouchers for use in maintaining time and expense records and paying for expert services.

In light of this appointment, appellate counsel is granted access to sealed district court material, with the exception of ex parte or in camera material. Any transcripts or record material sent to prior counsel shall be provided by prior counsel to newly appointed counsel. If record items are not available from former counsel, new counsel should contact the Fourth Circuit Appointments Deputy for assistance in obtaining these items.

The court having appointed new counsel for purposes of this appeal, any motion for further substitution of counsel shall be disfavored.

For the Court--By Direction

/s/ Nwamaka Anowi, Clerk