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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JOSHUA WATERS,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

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

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Maria Gabriela Vega, do certify that on this date, June 8, 2026, pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 29.3 and 29.4, I have served the attached Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis and the Petition for a Writ of Certiorari on each party to the above proceeding, or that party's counsel, and on every other person required to be served. I have served the Supreme Court of the United States via Federal Express, priority overnight. The Solicitor General and the petitioner were each served by depositing an envelope containing the above documents in the United States mail properly addressed to each of them and with first-class postage prepaid. Assistant United States Attorney Gail Hayworth has been served by email, per her request.

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