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IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

MARCUS RUBEN BLAND, JR.,
Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

**On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari
to the United States Court of Appeals
for the Fourth Circuit**

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

The petitioner asks leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

The petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the following courts:

- (1) U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Case No. 4:23-cr-00030-EWH-DEM-1, by oral order entered May 1, 2024; and
- (2) U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, Case No. 25-4015, by written order dated January 8, 2025.

Because appellate counsel was appointed pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, no affidavit or declaration of the petitioner is attached.

See S. Ct. R. 39.1.

Respectfully submitted,



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