

No. 25-827

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Dr. Joseph Leslie McClory,

Petitioner,

—v.—

SCOTT HOBBS,

Respondent.

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE SUPREME COURT OF
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A PETITION FOR REHEARING

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I, Petitioner Joseph Leslie McClory, a pro se litigant, hereby respectfully moves CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERT GLOVER ROBERTS Jr. within this SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES (“SCOTUS”) to grant me leave to file a petition for rehearing. All dates within this filing and all filings within this case use the calendar and/or time measurement of anno Domini (A. D.). I was outside of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA from February 26, 2026 until the night of April 2, 2026 (after business hours) and I was outside of CALIFORNIA (where I receive correspondence regarding this case) until May 2, 2026. This is my first SCOTUS case and in my past experience with other courts I have not encountered a 25-day petition for rehearing time-for-filing nor was I consciously aware there was only a 25-day petition for rehearing time-for-filing until in or around late April 2026. Now that I am aware of that, it is exceedingly unlikely that I would make the same mistake in the future should I ever have another SCOTUS case. I would also argue that at minimum the great majority of humans would have a material amount of resistance to confronting the entire SCOTUS Rulebook during their very first case, especially if they are not on attorney. There may be rare exception(s) to this, but such instance(s) would be extraordinary in my opinion. In other words, it my opinion that it is generally not a reasonable expectation to expect a pro se litigant to read the entire SCOTUS Rulebook before or even during their very first case since in my experience it is a rather difficult thing to do and educational integration of such material(s) generally takes considerable time, energy, and effort by even an, at

minimum, reasonably-intelligent human being. Words, and in my experience especially legal words and laws, can carry intentions and/or other subtle energies that can have one or more effect(s) on the reader. It is also my opinion that this Court should generally seek to hear cases on their merits rather than deny them because they missed one deadline in their very first case. In other words, in my opinion this Court should generally be “merit-centered” rather than “rule-centered” and/or “procedure-centered”. I know in your position it might not be practical to “forgive” missing a deadline on a regular basis, but I hope, pray, and request that a little slack be given to me this time. On April 20, 2026 I sent efilingssupport@supremecourt.gov the following email:

On Monday, April 20, 2026 at 06:36:40 AM EDT, Joseph McClory

<josephmccclory@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hello,

I was outside the UNITED STATES for all of March and have not been in CALIFORNIA in April. Therefore, I have not yet gotten my mail that was sent there.

Could you kindly attach and send the denial of Case No. 25-827 to me via email? As well as any letter which may have accompanied it (if possible).

Thank you,

Dr. Joseph McClory

That same day they responded and included the denial letter from March 23, 2026.

I also retrieved the denial letter in CALIFORNIA on Monday, May 4, 2026, the

envelope sent via US MAIL is still unopened, and I may include that unopened envelope with denial letter inside within this filing if it is accepted. If accepted, it is labeled "EXHIBIT A".

Included within this filing is an attempted-to-be-compliant petition for rehearing.

CONCLUSION

Since justice so requires, Petitioner's request for leave of court should be freely given and therefore this motion granted.

Respectfully submitted to CHIEF JUSTICE ROBERT GLOVER ROBERTS
Jr. and/or the SCOTUS on May 19, 2026.

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