

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

SAMUEL LEE SMITH, JR.,  
Petitioner(s),

USCA for the 11th Circuit. 25-13285  
Southern District Case No. 24-cv-21845

v.

Federico Lopez,  
Michael Valdez, Et al.,  
Respondent(s),

---

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PETITION/APPENDIX FOR WRIT  
OF CERTIORARI TO THE SUPREME COURT OF UNITED STATES

---

COMES NOW SAMUEL LEE SMITH, JR., (Petitioner pro se), moves this Honorable Court in the above captioned cause, with a possible 60-day extension for good cause, provided the extension is requested at least 10 full days before the petition is due.

1. Petitioner petitions this SUPREME COURT OF UNITED STATES and CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR., for an extension of time in filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari/Appendix for Certiorari in which is due February 4th, 2026. This is the first request for an extension of time.
2. The undersigned respectfully requests a 60-day extension of time to file the initial brief such that it will be due on or before April 5th, 2026.
3. The initial Petition/Appendix for Writ of Certiorari was due February 4th, 2026. Pro se Petitioner is seeking legal counsel and has not obtained counsel, other unforeseen circumstances prevented the undersigned to perfect the initial briefs on merits.
4. Additionally, it has taken the undersigned a little bit longer than projected to file the initial Petition for Writ of Certiorari, as the undersigned is a pro se litigant.

5. The undersigned would like to cognizance the Court, Petitioner has over 20 cases in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, Supreme Court of Florida and Third District Court of Appeals. Petitioner requests the Court be reasonable and provide the extension. Petitioner assures the Court that a Petition will be filed immediately upon completion to provide a timely filing.

6. Opposing counsel has not advised Petitioner that they object to the motion being granted.

7. There is no prejudice to the Respondents having no objection to the extension of time requested.

The undersigned is aware of the Court's disfavoring multiple extensions. However, the undersigned intends to prosecute this Petition, undersigned is requesting a 60-day extension to perfect and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari/ Appendix for Writ of Certiorari.

8. So, the Court is advised that the Petitioner intends to prosecute this case to the extent. The undersigned will not require any further extensions of time.

9. Petitioner affirms a Proof of Service is attached to the Motion for extension of time to file Petition/ Appendix for Writ of Certiorari.

10. This motion is being made with GREAT FAITH and not for the purpose of delay.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Honorable Court grant the Petitioner with an extension of time to file the Petition/Appendix for Writ of Certiorari such that it will be due on or before April 5th, 2026, and for such other further relief as this Honorable Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ SAMUEL LEE SMITH, JR.,

SAMUEL LEE SMITH, JR., ®

Petitioner Pro se

16614 SW 99 Court

Miami, Florida 33157

Email gymsam7@gmail.com

In the  
United States Court of Appeals  
For the Eleventh Circuit

---

No. 25-13285

---

SAMUEL LEE SMITH, JR.,

*Plaintiff-Appellant,*

*versus*

MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT,

*Defendant,*

FEDERICO I. LOPEZ,

Badge 4973,

MICHAEL VALDEZ,

individually,

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,

*Defendants-Appellees.*

---

Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Florida  
D.C. Docket No. 1:24-cv-21845-RAR

---

Before JILL PRYOR, NEWSOM, and GRANT, Circuit Judges.

BY THE COURT:

2

Order of the Court

25-13285

On its own motion, the Court dismisses appeal no. 25-13285 as duplicative of the appeal pending in no. 25-13063. Appeal no. 25-13285 is DISMISSED.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

SAMUEL LEE SMITH JR — PETITIONER  
(Your Name)

VS.

Federico Lopez, Michael Valdez, ET AL RESPONDENT(S)

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, SAMUEL LEE SMITH JR, do swear or declare that on this date, January 31st, 2026, as required by Supreme Court Rule 29 I have served the enclosed MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS* and 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, 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, or by delivery to a third-party commercial carrier for delivery within 3 calendar days.

The names and addresses of those served are as follows:

andrew edward beaulieu - andrew.beaulieu@miamidade.gov

eric sunny shultz zaron - zaron@miamidade.gov

shereen davis phillips - shereen.davisphillips@miamidade.gov

jeanette llerandi - jeannette.llerandi@miamidade.gov

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 31st, 2026

Lance

(Signature)

