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In the
Supreme Court of the United States
OCTOBER TERM, 2025

VINCENTE R. ZAVALAETA,
Petitioner,

v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
Respondent.

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

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Pursuant to Rule 39 of the Supreme Court Rules and Title 18, United States Code, Section 3006(d)(6), Petitioner asks leave to file the attached Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Supreme Court without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Petitioner was represented by the undersigned counsel, appointed by the 475th District Court of Texas after a finding of indigence, on appeal to the Twelfth Court of Appeals and the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas. A copy of the Order of appointment is attached to this Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Amy R. Blalock
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 17th day of July, 2026, I served one (1) copy of the foregoing Motion For Leave To Proceed In Forma Pauperis on the following individuals by mail by depositing same, enclosed in post paid, properly addressed wrapper, in a Post Office or official depository, under the care and custody of the United States Postal Service, or by other recognized means pursuant to the Rules of the Supreme Court of The United States of America, Rule 29:

Aaron Rediker
Smith County District Attorney's Office
100 N. Broadway
Suite 400,
Tyler, TX 75702

Vincente R. Zavaleta
TDCJ Number: 02524881
Bill Clements Unit
9601 Spur 591
Amarillo, TX 79107-9606

/s/ Amy R. Blalock
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**COUNTY OF SMITH
THE STATE OF TEXAS
VS.**

Order Appointing Attorney

Cause No(s): 475-0487-24 & 475-1501-23

ATTORNEY ADDRESS:

Attorney: AMY R. BLALOCK

Address: P.O. BOX 765

City, State: TYLER, TX

Zip: 75710

Phone: 903-262-7520

VINCENTE ZA VALETA

DOB: 09/27/1978

CHARGE: AGG SEXUAL ASSAULT X2

ARREST DATE: 03/21/2023

DEFENDANT ADDRESS:

Address: _____

City, State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Dear: AMY R. BLALOCK

You have been appointed to represent the defendant in the above styled and numbered cause. You are not relieved of this appointment and cannot be relieved of this duty even by substitution without a motion and order signed by the Court. Your appointment continues through the appeal to the 12th Court of Appeals, unless the trial court permits your withdrawal.

If the defendant is in custody in the Smith County Jail, you are directed to contact the defendant by the end of the first working day after notice of appointment. Investigation and certain other expenses must have prior court approval.

Signed this (Date): 12/26/2024

(Time): _____

JUDGE TAYLOR HEATON/KD

Judge / Magistrate

CC: Defendant

Attorney

Court Coordinator, Presiding Judge (District or CCL)

Jail SB 7 Administrator (file)

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☒ In Jail (Low Risk / Central) **TDCJ**

☐ On Bond

☐ Interpreter