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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

BARBARA JEAN MERCER,

Petitioner,

v.

ANTHONY STEWART,

Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner Barbara Jean Mercer, pursuant to SUP. CT. R. 39.1, respectfully moves for leave to file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Supreme Court of the United States without payment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner was previously found financially unable to obtain counsel and the Federal Public Defender of the Eastern District of Michigan was appointed to represent Petitioner pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A. Therefore, in reliance upon RULE 39.1 and § 3006A(d)(6), Petitioner has not attached the affidavit which would otherwise be required by 28 U.S.C. § 1746.

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