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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JOSEPH ZIELER
Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA
Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED
IN FORMA PAUPERIS

The Petitioner, JOSEPH ZIELER, asks this Court for leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis.

Petitioner has previously been found indigent and allowed to proceed in forma pauperis in the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Lee County, Florida, and the Florida Supreme Court. See attached orders determining indigency and appointing the Public Defender.

Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is **not attached** because the court below appointed counsel in the current proceeding, and the appointment was made under section 27.52, Florida Statutes.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that he be permitted to proceed

in forma pauperis in this matter.

Dated: September 14, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Steven L. Bolotin

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LEE
COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 16-CF-000455 (JCF)

vs.

JOSEPH ADAM ZIELER

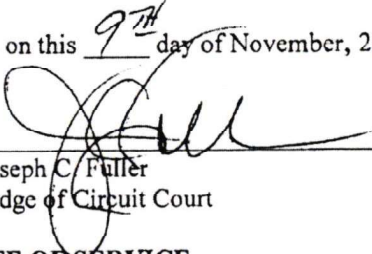
ORDER APPOINTING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

THIS CAUSE having come on to be heard in Open Court and the Court having further reviewed the indigency status, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Public Defender of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit is appointed to represent the Defendant in the above referenced cause.

It is further **ORDERED** that pursuant to Florida Statute 27.52, the Defendant is ordered to pay the \$50.00 application fee.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers on this 9th day of November, 2016 in Fort Myers, Florida.


Joseph C. Fuller
Judge of Circuit Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to , , ; to the Honorable Kathleen A. Smith, Public Defender, Attention: Dana Barrington at danab@pd.cjis20.org; P. O. Drawer 1980, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-1980; Defendant, Joseph Adam Zieler, 314 Byron Avenue, North Fort Myers, FL, 33917; dated this 9 day of November, 2016.

Linda Doggett
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: 
Deputy Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL ACTION

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Plaintiff,
vs.

Case No.: 16-CF-455-RJB

JOSEPH ZIELER,
Defendant.

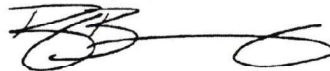
**ORDER FINDING DEFENDANT INDIGENT FOR COSTS OF APPEAL AND
APPOINTING THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

THIS MATTER, having come before the Court on Defendant's Motion to Be Found Indigent for Purposes of Appeal, and Appoint the Office of the Public Defender, and the Court having been apprised in the premises therefore, now it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Defendant, JOSEPH ZIELER, is determined to be indigent for the costs of appeal, including filing fees, transcripts, and charges for preparation of the record on appeal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Office of the Public Defender is hereby appointed to represent Defendant for purposes of appeal, and that Lee Hollander, Esquire, Law Office of Hollander and Hanuka, 2681 Airport Pulling Road, South, Suite C-101, Naples, Florida 34112, having complied with Fla.R.App.P.9.140(d), is hereby relieved of further responsibility in this matter.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Fort Myers, Lee County, Florida.



eSigned by Robert Branning 07/26/2023 09:41:35 r15X-GTM

ROBERT J. BRANNING

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