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**In the Supreme Court
of the United States**

KEVIN TIDWELL

Petitioner

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Respondent

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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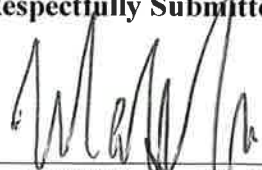
Pursuant to Sup. Ct. R. 39.1, Petitioner Kevin Tidwell prays for leave to file the attached petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed in forma pauperis. Petitioner further states as follows:

1. Petitioner was previously granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, and thereafter in the Sixth Circuit.
2. Petitioner proceeded in both the District court and in the Sixth Circuit with court-appointed counsel appointed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(7).
3. Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is not attached because the courts below appointed counsel in the current proceeding.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Petitioner Kevin Tidwell, by and through undersigned counsel, respectfully requests he be allowed to proceed *in forma pauperis* without payment of filing fees or service of notice fees in his petition for certiorari.

Dated: July 12, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,


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