No.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

BREON BROWN, PETITIONER

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA, RESPONDENT.

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF FLORIDA

PETITIONER'S MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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COMES NOW the Petitioner, Breon Brown, and moves this Court, pursuant to Rule 39.1, Rules of the Supreme Court, to declare him indigent and allow him to proceed in forma pauperis in this cause, in particular to waive any filing fees. As grounds therefore, Petitioner says:

1. Petitioner applies for a writ of certiorari to review the decision of the Fourth District Court of Appeal of Florida affirming his conviction and prison sentence.

2. On March 12, 2025, Petitioner was declared an indigent party, and the public defender was appointed to represent him on appeal. *See* Fla. Stat. § 27.52 (2025).

3. Petitioner is still indigent and has no funds with which to pay any fees or costs in this action.

4. Federal law requires all courts of the United States to allow commencement and prosecution of any suit without prepayment of fees or costs upon the showing made above. 28 U.S.C. §1915(a).

5. Refusal to allow Petitioner to proceed in forma pauperis would deny him equal protection of the law, meaningful access to the courts, and due process of law since

he cannot otherwise get the review to which a more affluent defendant would be entitled. *See Burns v. Ohio*, 360 U.S. 252 (1959).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner moves that this Court declare him indigent and allow filing and prosecution of his petition without payment of any fees or costs.

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