No.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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PATRICK T. BROCKMAN, PETITIONER,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA, RESPONDENT.

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**PETITIONER'S MOTION TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

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COMES NOW Petitioner (Patrick T. Brockman) 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, Petitioner requests that the Court 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 sentence.

2. On April 28, 2025, the trial court declared Petitioner an indigent party, and appointed the public defender to represent him on appeal. See Fla. Stat. § 27.52 (2024).

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 the law since he cannot otherwise get the

review to which a more affluent petitioner would be entitled. See *Burns v. Ohio*, 360 U. S. 252 (1959).

WHEREFORE, Petitioner moves that this Court declare him indigent and allow him to file and prosecute his Petition without the payment of any fees or costs.

Respectfully Submitted,

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