No. _____

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
OCTOBER TERM, 2026

WAYNE LAMAR DAVIS,
Petitioner,
V.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Respondent.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the
United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Petitioner, Wayne Lamar Davis, by and through his court-appointed counsel, Christopher George DeLaughter, respectfully moves this Court for leave to proceed in forma pauperis and to file the accompanying Petition for a Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of docket fees or costs, pursuant to Rule 39 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States and 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(7).

In support of this motion, Petitioner states as follows:

1. In the trial court proceedings below, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida appointed counsel for Petitioner under the Criminal Justice Act of 1964 (CJA), 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, upon a finding that Petitioner was financially unable to obtain counsel.

2. Undersigned counsel was subsequently appointed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit to represent Petitioner on direct criminal appeal pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act of 1964, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A. Undersigned counsel continues that court-appointed representation before this Court pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(7) and Supreme Court Rules 9.1 and 39.7.

3. Under Rule 39.1 of the Rules of this Court, "[i]f the court below appointed counsel for an indigent party, no affidavit or declaration is required, but the motion shall cite the provision of law under which counsel was appointed, or a copy of the order of appointment shall be appended to the motion." Undersigned counsel was appointed under 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and Petitioner's indigent status continues without change.

4. Petitioner remains indigent and is currently incarcerated serving a 210-month sentence of imprisonment imposed by the district court.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully prays that this Court grant this Motion for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis and permit the accompanying Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to be filed without prepayment of fees or costs.

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Respectfully submitted,

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