

**\*CAPITAL CASE\***  
**EXECUTION SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2025, 6:00 PM CST**  
**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

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**IN THE**  
**Supreme Court of the United States**

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STEVEN LAWAYNE NELSON,  
*Petitioner,*

v.

STATE OF TEXAS,  
*Respondent.*

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**On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to**  
**The Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas**

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**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

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Petitioner asks leave to file a Certiorari Petition without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner did not seek IFP status below. He was represented by (undersigned) pro bono counsel O'Melveny & Myers LLP and by (appointed) indigent-defense counsel Lee Kovarsky. Petitioner did receive IFP status in his federal habeas proceedings, where he was represented by the same lawyers.

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