

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT**

MICHAEL C. SKAKEL
Petitioner,

v.

PETER J. MURPHY,
Respondent.

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CASE NO. 3:07 CV 1625 (PCD)

JANUARY 8, 2009

**PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND PETITION FOR A WRIT OF
HABEAS CORPUS**

Pursuant to Rule 15 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Petitioner, Michael C. Skakel, hereby moves for leave to amend his Petition For A Writ Of Habeas Corpus in accordance with the Proposed Amended Petition attached hereto. The amendment is necessary in order to add certain unexhausted claims that should be heard and considered along with the claims that are currently pending in order to promote judicial economy. In support hereof, the Petitioner has filed a Memorandum of Law.

**THE PETITIONER,
MICHAEL C. SKAKEL**

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on January 8, 2009, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically and served by mail on anyone unable to accept electronic filing. Notice of this filing will be sent by email to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system or by mail on anyone unable to accept electronic filing as indicated on the Notice of Electronic Filing. Parties may access this filing through the Court's CM/ECF System.

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