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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**
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9 Gene Minks,

10 Plaintiff,

11 vs.

12 Charles L. Ryan, et al.,

13 Defendants.
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No. CV 13-2029-PHX-RCB (MEA)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

15 Plaintiff Gene Minks, who was formerly confined in the Arizona State Prison
16 Complex-Lewis in Buckeye, Arizona, filed a pro se civil rights Complaint pursuant to 42
17 U.S.C. § 1983 and an Application to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (Doc. 2).

18 On October 24, 2013, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Change of Address (Doc. 4)
19 indicating that he is no longer in custody. The Court will grant the Application to
20 Proceed and will require Plaintiff to either pay the filing fee or show good cause why he
21 cannot pay.

22 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1), “if a prisoner brings a civil action or files an
23 appeal in forma pauperis, the prisoner shall be required to pay the full amount of a filing
24 fee.” 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1). Because Plaintiff brought this civil action while he was
25 still a prisoner, he will be required to pay the full amount of the \$350.00 filing fee even
26 though he is now released. *See Taylor v. Delatoore*, 281 F.3d 844, 847 (9th Cir. 2002)
27 (“Under the [Prison Litigation Reform Act], all prisoners who file [*in forma pauperis*]
28 civil actions must pay the full amount of the filing fee.”) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1)).

1 If Plaintiff were still a prisoner, the Court would order Plaintiff's custodian to
2 periodically withdraw funds from Plaintiff's inmate account according to the statutory
3 formula in 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2) until the filing fee was paid in full. However, because
4 Plaintiff is no longer in custody, and therefore does not have a prison account, he cannot
5 avail himself of the partial payment provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1), (2). The
6 statute makes no other provision for incremental collection of the fee. Therefore,
7 Plaintiff must now pay the filing fee in full.

8 Plaintiff will be given 30 days from the date this Order is filed to either pay the
9 \$350.00 filing fee or file a "Response" to this Order. Plaintiff's Response must state the
10 date of his release and must either promise to pay the \$350.00 filing fee within 120 days
11 from the date of his release **or** show good cause why he cannot pay the filing fee.
12 Plaintiff's Response must be made under penalty of perjury. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1746 (oath
13 requirement may be satisfied when a person declares under penalty of perjury that the
14 submission is true and correct and signs and dates the document).

15 Plaintiff is advised that, even after he pays the filing fee, the Court is required to
16 screen complaints brought by prisoners seeking relief against a governmental entity or an
17 officer or an employee of a governmental entity. 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(a). The Court must
18 dismiss a complaint or portion thereof if the plaintiff has raised claims that are legally
19 frivolous or malicious, that fail to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or that
20 seek monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief. 28 U.S.C.
21 § 1915A(b)(1), (2).

22 If Plaintiff fails to timely comply with every provision of this Order, the Court
23 may dismiss this action without further notice. *See Ferdik v. Bonzelet*, 963 F.2d 1258,
24 1260-61 (9th Cir. 1992) (a district court may dismiss an action for failure to comply with
25 any order of the Court).

26 **IT IS ORDERED:**


- 27 (1) Plaintiff's Application to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (Doc. 2) is **granted**.
28 (2) Within **30 days** from the date this Order is filed, Plaintiff must either pay

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the \$350.00 filing fee **or** file a Response as described above.

(3) If Plaintiff fails to pay the filing fee **or** file a Response to this Order within 30 days, the Clerk of Court must enter a judgment of dismissal of this action without prejudice.

DATED this 30th day of October, 2013.



Robert C. Broomfield
Senior United States District Judge