

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS
JONESBORO DIVISION

KATRINA WATKINS and
AKILAH WATKINS

PLAINTIFFS

v.

No. 3:18-cv-10-DPM

VELOCITY INVESTMENTS
LLC and ALLEN & WITHROW,
Law Office

DEFENDANTS

ORDER

1. The motions to proceed *in forma pauperis*, No 1 & No 2, are granted. Katrina has no money and no income; Akilah has little income, several bills, and student loan debt. Neither can afford the filing fee.

2. The Court must screen the complaint before ordering service. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2). The Watkinses, mother and daughter, have plausibly alleged a violation of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and an abuse of process. Velocity, and its lawyers, they say, continued pursuing garnishment of exempt funds in a bank account after notice of the exemption.

3. The Clerk should prepare and deliver two summonses, along with copies of the complaint and this Order, to the U.S. Marshal

for service on Velocity Investments LLC and on Allen & Withrow without prepayment of fees and costs or security.

So Ordered.

D.P. Marshall Jr.
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United States District Judge

5 February 2018