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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RAMON GUARDADO, JR., 1:09-cv-01450-SMS  
Plaintiff,

vs.

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO  
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**  
(Doc. 2)

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, COMMISSIONER  
OF SOCIAL SECURITY,  
Defendant.

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Plaintiff is proceeding pro se with an action in which he seeks judicial review of a final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security denying his application for benefits.

Plaintiff has submitted a declaration that makes the showing required by § 1915(a). Accordingly, plaintiff's request to proceed in forma pauperis is GRANTED pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a). However, the Court will not direct that service be undertaken until the Court screens the complaint and issues a screening order, which will be accomplished in due course.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

**Dated: August 24, 2009**

**/s/ Sandra M. Snyder**  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE