## INFORMATION TO PRISONERS SEEKING LEAVE TO PROCEED WITH A CIVIL ACTION IN FEDERAL COURT IN FORMA PAUPERIS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1915

In accordance with 1996 amendments to the <u>in forma pauperis</u> (IFP) statute, **AS A PRISONER YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO PAY THE FULL FILING FEE OF \$350.00 FOR A CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION, \$5.00 FOR A HABEAS CORPUS PETITION, OR \$455.00 FOR AN APPEAL.** 

If you have the money to pay the filing fee, you should send a cashier's check or money order to the court with your complaint, petition, or notice of appeal.

If you do not have enough money to pay the full filing fee when your action is filed, you can file the action without prepaying the filing fee. The court will order the agency that has custody of you to take the filing fee out of your prison or jail trust account if there are available funds, and to forward the money to the court. Until the amount of the filing fee is paid in full, **EACH MONTH YOU WILL OWE 20 PERCENT OF YOUR PRECEDING MONTH'S INCOME TOWARD THE BALANCE**. The agency that has custody of you will collect that money and send payments to the court any time the amount in the account exceeds \$10.00. The balance of the filing fee will be collected even if the action is later dismissed, summary judgment is granted against you, or you fail to prevail at trial.

In order to proceed with an action in forma pauperis you must complete the attached form and return it to the court with your complaint, habeas corpus petition, or appeal. You must attach to the form a certified copy of your prison or jail account statement for the last six months. If you submit an incomplete form or do not submit a prison or jail account statement with the form, your request to proceed in forma pauperis will be denied.

Regardless of whether some or all of the filing fee has been paid, the court is required to screen your complaint and to dismiss the complaint if

- 1. Your allegation of poverty is untrue;
- 2. The action is frivolous or malicious:
- 3. Your complaint does not state a claim on which relief can be granted, or
- 4. You sue a defendant for money damages and that defendant is immune from liability for money damages.

If you file more than three actions or appeals while you are a prisoner which are dismissed as frivolous or malicious or for failure to state a claim on which relief can be granted, you will be prohibited from bringing any other actions in forma pauperis unless you are in imminent danger of serious physical injury.

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CDC	No:
Addr	ess:
	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA FRESNO DIVISION
	CASE NUMBER:
VS.	Plaintiff/Petitioner,  APPLICATION TO PROCEED  IN FORMA PAUPERIS  BY A PRISONER
	Defendants/Respondent/
that I	I,
	In support of this application, I answer the following questions under penalty of perjury:
1.	Are you currently incarcerated? Yes No (If "no" DO NOT USE THIS FORM)
	State the place of your incarceration.
2.	Are you currently employed (includes prison employment)? Yes No
	a. If the answer is "yes" state the amount of your pay.

a. Business, profession, or other self-employment: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Have you received any money from the following sources over the last twelve months?

b.

3.

b. Rent payments, interest or dividends: \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

If the answer is "no" state the date of your last employment, the amount of your take-home

salary or wages and pay period, and the name and address of your last employer.

	c.	Pensions, annuities or life insuranc	e payments:	Yes	No	
	d.	Disability or workers compensation	n payments:	Yes	No	
	e	Gifts or inheritances:		Yes	No	
	f.	Any other sources:		Yes	No	
		answer to any of the above is "yes," eceived <b>and</b> what you expect you wil	•		•	
4.	Do yo	u have cash (includes balance of che	cking or saving	gs accounts)?	Yes	No
	If "yes	s" state the total amount:				
5.	•	u own any real estate, stocks, bonds, valuable property?	securities, other		struments, auton	
	If "yes	s" describe the property and state its	value:			_
6.	Do yo	u have any other assets?	Yes	No		
	If "yes	s," list the asset(s) and state the value	e of each asset l	isted:		
7.		Il persons dependent on you for suppout nuch you contribute to their support.	ort, stating you	r relationship	to each person li	isted and
	<u>IMPO</u>	DRTANT: This form must be consider your appl	U	ned below in o	order for the co	ourt to
to the		by authorize the agency having custo of the United States District Court pa	•	•		
		DATE	SIGN	NATURE OF A	APPLICANT	
	NOTE	Within sixty days from the certified copy of your prison past six months.		-		

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