

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TRISTAN KASINGER,

17-cv-1254 GSA

Plaintiff,

**ORDER REQUIRING THE FILING OF AN
AMENDED IN FORMA PAUPERIS
APPLICATION**

NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

(Doc. 2)

On September 19, 2017, Plaintiff Tristan Kasinger filed a Motion to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (“IFP”). (Doc. 2). A review of the document reveals that it is incomplete. For example, item 4 requires that the applicant list the amount he has in cash, checking, or savings accounts. This item is left blank. (Doc. 2 pg. 2). Moreover, the application is not signed or dated. (Doc. 2 pg. 2). Finally, the Court has some concerns regarding Plaintiff’s eligibility for a fee waiver as he has indicated that his wife makes \$50,000.00 per year. The 2017 United States poverty guidelines for a family of two is \$16,240.00 per year which is one indicator the Court uses to determine eligibility. <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>. Plaintiff’s family income is more than three

1 the national poverty guideline. As such, Plaintiff shall file an amended application which is
2 complete and includes an explanation why this Court should grant *in forma pauperis* to Plaintiff
3 given his financial situation.

4 The Court is unable to process this application until this information is completed.
5 Therefore, Plaintiff shall file an amended application **no later than October 20, 2017**.
6 Alternatively, Plaintiff may pay the \$400.00 fee by this same date. Plaintiff's counsel is reminded
7 that it is important to review IFP applications for completeness and accuracy prior to filing the
8 document in order to prevent delays and to promote judicial efficiency. **Counsel is advised that**
9 **a failure to respond to this Court may result in the imposition of sanctions.**

10 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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12 Dated: October 5, 2017

/s/ Gary S. Austin
13 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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