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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CHRIS E. VELASQUEZ,

Plaintiff,

v.

NANCY A. BERRYHILL,  
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:18-cv-00159-SKO

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S  
APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN  
FORMA PAUPERIS**

(Doc. 2)

Plaintiff Chris E. Velasquez filed a complaint on January 26, 2018, along with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Docs. 1, 2.) Plaintiff's application demonstrates entitlement to proceed without prepayment of fees.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED;
2. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to issue a summons; and
3. The United States Marshal is DIRECTED to serve a copy of the complaint, summons, and this order upon the defendant as directed by the plaintiff.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 30, 2018

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE