To proceed with a civil action, a plaintiff must pay the \$350 filing fee required by 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a) or request leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and submit the affidavit and trust account statement required by 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a). Section 1915(a)(2) requires "a prisoner seeking to bring a civil action without prepayment of fees or security therefor, in addition to filing the affidavit filed under paragraph (1), shall submit a certified copy of the trust fund

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account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the prisoner for the 6-month period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint . . . , obtained from the appropriate official of each prison at which the prisoner is or was confined." In order to proceed, plaintiff must either pay the filing fee or comply with the *in forma pauperis* statute.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. The Clerk of the Court shall send to plaintiff the form complaint and application for leave to proceed in forma pauperis used in this court.
- 2. Withing 30 days of the date of this order, plaintiff shall either pay the \$350 filing fee or submit a complete application for leave to proceed in forma pauperis; and
- 3. Within 30 days of the date of this order, plaintiff shall submit a complaint stating the nature of the action and his belief that he is entitled to redress. Failure to comply with this order may result in this action being dismissed.

Dated: December 15, 2009.

EDMUND F. BRENNAN

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE