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| 8 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | |
| 9 | FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA | |
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| 11 | JAMES D.A. SMITH, | No. 2:16-cv-1561-KJN |
| 12 | Plaintiff, | |
| 13 | v. | <u>ORDER</u> |
| 14 | COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY, | |
| 15 | SECURITI, | |
| 16 | Defendant. | |
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| 18 | Plaintiff has requested leave to proceed without the prepayment of fees and costs, also | |
| 19 | referred to as in forma pauperis, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Plaintiff submitted the required | |
| 20 | affidavit, which demonstrates that plaintiff is unable to prepay fees and costs or give security for | |
| 21 | them. Accordingly, the request to proceed in forma pauperis is granted. See 28 U.S.C. § | |
| 22 | 1915(a). | |
| 23 | For the foregoing reasons, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that: | |
| 24 | 1. Plaintiff's request to proceed <i>in forma pauperis</i> (ECF No. 2) is granted. | |
| 25 | 2. Service of process is appropriate for the Commissioner of Social Security. | |
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| 28 | ¹ This case was referred to the undersigned pursuant to E.D. Cal. L.R. 302(c)(15). | |

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