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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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11 JUDITH C. MAY, )  
12 Plaintiff(s), )  
13 v. )  
14 MARIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, )  
15 et al., )  
16 Defendant(s). )

No. C 09-3460 BZ

**ORDER DENYING APPLICATION TO  
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

17 Having reviewed plaintiff's in forma pauperis  
18 application, it is **DENIED** since it appears that plaintiff has  
19 \$15,000 in cash and can afford to pay the \$350.00 filing fee  
20 and related costs.

21 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the plaintiff shall pay the  
22 filing fee of \$350.00 no later than **September 7, 2009**.  
23 Failure to pay the filing fee by that date will result in  
24 dismissal of the above-entitled action without prejudice. The  
25 plaintiff is hereby apprised of her responsibility to serve  
26 the complaint and any amendments, scheduling orders and  
27 attachments, pursuant to Rule 4, Federal Rules of Civil  
28 Procedure. Plaintiff has a continuing obligation to keep the

1 Court informed of her current address. Failure to do so may  
2 result in dismissal of this action.

3 In deciding whether to pay the filing fee, plaintiff  
4 should be aware of the following:

5 1. State court judges are ordinarily immune from suit  
6 for actions taken in their official capacity. See  
7 Marlis v. Waco, 502 U.S. 9, 11 (1991).

8 2. This Court does not have jurisdiction to hear an  
9 appeal of a state court ruling. See Exxon Mobil Corp. v.  
10 Saudi Basic Indus. Corp., 544 U.S. 280, 284 (2005); Worldwide  
11 Church of God v. McNair, 805 F.2d 888, 890-91 (9th Cir. 1986).

12 3. Only civil actions can be removed to federal court.  
13 See 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).

14 4. Attached is information about the Volunteer Legal  
15 Services Program's Legal Help Center for pro se litigants.  
16 The court suggests that plaintiff make an appointment with the  
17 Center.

18 Dated: August 10, 2009

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20 Bernard Zimmerman  
21 United States Magistrate Judge

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JUDITH C. MAY,

Plaintiff,

v.

SAN RAFAEL CITY OF et al,

Defendant.

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Case Number: CV09-03460 BZ

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

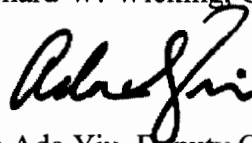
I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

That on August 11, 2009, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of an ORDER DENYING APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.

Judith C. May  
4524 Barnes Avenue, Apt. 1A  
Bronx, NY 10466

Dated: August 11, 2009

Richard W. Wieking, Clerk



By: Ada Yiu, Deputy Clerk