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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

BENJAMIN PENA,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CALIFORNIA COAST CREDIT UNION,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 10CV1061 DMS (WVG)

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS AND DIRECTING SERVICE BY UNITED STATES MARSHALL

Plaintiff, a nonprisoner proceeding pro se, has filed a complaint alleging violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq. Plaintiff has not paid the filing fee and has instead filed an application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a), a court may authorize the commencement of a suit without prepayment of fees if the plaintiff submits an affidavit, including a statement of all his assets, showing that he is unable to pay filing fees. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a). Plaintiff has submitted an affidavit which sufficiently shows that he lacks the financial resources to pay filing fees. Accordingly, the Court grants Plaintiff's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Any complaint filed pursuant to the IFP provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a) is subject to a mandatory and sua sponte review and dismissal by the Court, if it finds the Complaint is "frivolous, malicious, failing to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or seeking monetary relief from a defendant immune from such relief." 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B); *Calhoun v. Stahl*, 254 F.3d 845,

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845 (9th Cir. 2001) ("[T]he provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B) are not limited to prisoners."). Here, the Court has conducted its initial review of Plaintiff's Complaint, and finds it sufficient to survive the screening provisions of § 1915(e)(2). Accordingly:

- 1. The United States Marshal shall serve a copy of the Complaint, summons and this Order upon Defendants as directed by Plaintiff on U.S. Marshal Form 285. All costs of service shall be advanced by the United States.
- 2. Plaintiff shall serve upon Defendant or, if appearance has been entered by counsel, upon Defendant's counsel, a copy of every further pleading or other document submitted for consideration of the Court. Plaintiff shall include with the original paper to be filed with the Clerk of the Court a certificate stating the manner in which a true and correct copy of any document was served on the Defendant or counsel of Defendant and the date of service. Any paper received by a district judge or magistrate judge which has not been filed with the Clerk or which fails to include a Certificate of Service will be disregarded.

HON. DANA M. SABRAW United States District Judge

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: May 25, 2010

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