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Sarah Allison Thornton
Clerk of Court
United States District Court for the
District of Massachusetts
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210RE: Request for Exemption from PACER Fees
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Dear Clerk of Court:

I am an Associate Professor of Law at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, where I conduct empirical research concerning civil litigation. I write pursuant to the enclosed Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule, seeking an exemption from PACER user fees in all divisions of your jurisdiction for one year, to further my scholarly research in areas related to pleading rules and the disposition of civil rights cases. Because my research often involves a thorough inspection of electronic case files, I am seeking this exemption in all jurisdictions in which I intend to study case disposition. I certify that I will not use any material obtained through this exemption for any purpose other than my scholarly research.

My PACER Account Login as "ar2815." The following are some of the scholarly publications in which I have made extensive use of data I acquired through PACER:

The Costs of Heightened Pleading, 86 IND. L. J. 119 (2011)

Measuring the Success of Bivens Litigation and Its Consequences for the Individual Liability Model, 62 STAN. L. REV. 809 (2010) (reprinted in CIVIL RIGHTS LITIGATION AND ATTORNEY FEES ANNUAL HANDBOOK (Steven Saltzman & Barbara Wolvovitz eds., 2010))

Please contact me at your convenience should you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Reinert". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alexander A. Reinert
Associate Professor of Law

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