IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

CLINTON BROOKS, JR.,

Plaintiff,

4:17CV3015

VS.

BENJAMIN SEAMAN, Lincoln Police Officer; JANE BURKES, of the Nebraska Bar Association In their Official and Individual Capacities; and TERESA RICHARD,

Defendants.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the court on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal in Forma Pauperis (Filing No. 9). Plaintiff filed a Notice of Appeal (Filing No. 8) on April 27, 2017. Plaintiff appeals from the court's Memorandum and Order dated March 30, 2017 (Filing No. 6), in which the court dismissed this matter with prejudice.

As set forth in Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 24(a)(3):

- (a) Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis . . .
 - (3) Prior Approval. A party who was permitted to proceed in forma pauperis in the district-court action, or who was determined to be financially unable to obtain an adequate defense in a criminal case, may proceed on appeal in forma pauperis without further authorization, unless:
 - (A) the district court--before or after the notice of appeal is filed--certifies that the appeal is not taken in good faith or finds that the party is not otherwise

entitled to proceed in forma pauperis and states in writing its reasons for the certification or finding . .

. .

The court finds that because Plaintiff proceeded IFP in the district court, he may now proceed on appeal in forma pauperis without further authorization.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal in Forma Pauperis (<u>Filing No.</u> 9) is granted.
- 2. The Clerk of Court shall provide the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals with a copy of this order.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

s/ *Richard G. Kopf*Senior United States District Judge