

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

MICHAEL B. WOOLMAN,	)	CASE NO. 8:11CV405
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	MEMORANDUM
	)	AND ORDER
STATE OF NEBRASKA, and JON	)	
BRUNING, Attorney General for	)	
Nebraska,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

This matter is before the court on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal in forma pauperis. (Filing No. [15](#).) On December 22, 2011, the court dismissed Plaintiff's claims without prejudice and entered judgment against Plaintiff. (Filing Nos. [10](#) and [11](#).) Plaintiff filed a timely Notice of Appeal of the court's Judgment. (Filing No. [14](#).) Plaintiff is a non-prisoner and has previously been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis in this matter.

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 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. In that event, the district court must state in writing its reasons for the certification or finding.

The court finds that because Plaintiff proceeded in forma pauperis in the district court, he may now "proceed on appeal in forma pauperis without further authorization."  
[\*Id.\*](#)

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal in forma pauperis (Filing No. [15](#)) is granted;
2. Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Discovery (Filing No. [12](#)) and Motion for Leave to File a Complaint (Filing No. [13](#)) are denied as moot; and
3. The Clerk of the court shall provide the Court of Appeals with a copy of this Memorandum and Order.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012.

BY THE COURT:

s/Laurie Smith Camp  
Chief United States District Judge

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