IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

ERNEST MEDINA,) 8:14CV417
Petitioner,))
v .) MEMORANDUM) AND ORDER
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA,)
Respondent.)

Petitioner filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Filing No. 1) and two Motions for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing Nos. 4 and 6). Habeas corpus cases attacking the legality of a person's confinement require the payment of a \$5.00 filing fee. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). However, after considering Petitioner's financial status as shown in the records of this court (*see* inmate trust account statement at Filing No. 7), provisional leave to proceed in forma pauperis will be granted and Petitioner is relieved from paying the filing fee at this time. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1). Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED: Petitioner's Motions for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing Nos. 4 and 6) are granted. The next step in this case is for the court to conduct a preliminary review of the habeas corpus petition in accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 cases. The court will conduct this review in its normal course of business.

DATED this 8th day of January, 2015.

BY THE COURT:

s/Laurie Smith Camp Chief United States District Judge