

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

JOSEPH W. HIGGINS,	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	8:17CV107
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
BURNS, Judge, DOUGLAS	)	ORDER
COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, and	)	
LANCASTER LINCOLN	)	
REGIONAL CENTER,	)	
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Respondents.	)	
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Petitioner filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Filing No. 1) and a Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing No. 2). 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, 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\(a\)\(1\)](#).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that: Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis (Filing No. 2) is 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2017.

BY THE COURT:  
*s/ Richard G. Kopf*  
Senior United States District Judge