

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

BILLIE JOE CHAPMAN,)	
)	
Petitioner,)	8:17CV317
)	
v.)	
)	
JUDGE RETELSDORF, SEAN)	ORDER
LYNCH, Douglas County Attorney)	
Office, MARK FOXHALL, Douglas)	
County Department of Corrections,)	
C.E.O., and KLAUS HARTMANN,)	
Lincoln Regional Center, M.D.,)	
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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. 7). 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. 22), leave to proceed in forma pauperis will be granted and Petitioner is relieved from paying the filing fee. *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. 7) 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 26th day of September, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Richard G. Kopf
Senior United States District Judge