

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

GREGORY C. REISING,

Petitioner,

vs.

BARB LEWIEN, Chief Executive  
Officer, Warden;

Respondent.

**8:17CV321**

**MEMORANDUM  
AND ORDER**

This matter is before the court on Plaintiff's Motion for Copies. ([Filing No. 8](#).) The statutory right to proceed in forma pauperis does not include the right to receive copies of documents without payment. [28 U.S.C. § 1915](#); *see also Haymes v. Smith*, [73 F.R.D. 572, 574 \(W.D.N.Y.1976\)](#) ("The generally recognized rule is that a court may not authorize the commitment of federal funds to underwrite the necessary expenditures of an indigent civil litigant's action.") (citing *Tyler v. Lark*, [472 F.2d 1077, 1078 \(8th Cir.1973\)](#)). If Plaintiff requires copies of court documents, he should contact the clerk's office to determine the proper method of requesting and paying for copies. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that: Plaintiff's motion for copies is denied.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

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