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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT TACOMA

10 TROY E BELCHER,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 KEITH DEVOS et al.,

14 Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:16-CV-05130-RJB-DWC

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION  
TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

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16 The Court, having reviewed plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, does  
17 hereby find and ORDER.

18 Plaintiff's declaration indicates that he is unable to afford the Court's filing fee or give  
19 security therefore. Accordingly, plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (Dkts. 1,4)  
20 is GRANTED. Plaintiff is not a prisoner within the meaning of the Prison Litigation Reform  
21 Act. The portion of the act requiring a prisoner to pay the filing fee in installments does not  
22 apply to plaintiff. Plaintiff does not appear to have funds available to afford the \$400.00 filing  
23 fee. Plaintiff shall note that leave to proceed as a pauper does not necessarily entitle plaintiff to a  
24 waiver of any other cost(s) of litigation.

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The Clerk is directed to mail a copy of this Order to Plaintiff.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016.



David W. Christel  
United States Magistrate Judge