

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

ANTOINE GEE,
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 12-C-0877

M.P.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
Defendant.

ORDER

Plaintiff has commenced an employment-discrimination lawsuit in this court. Ordinarily, a plaintiff must pay a statutory filing fee of \$350 to bring an action in federal court. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). Plaintiff, however, has requested leave to proceed in forma pauperis, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Under § 1915, an indigent party may commence a lawsuit without paying required costs and fees upon submission of an affidavit asserting inability “to pay such fees or give security therefor” and stating “the nature of the action, defense or appeal and the affiant’s belief that the person is entitled to redress.” 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1).

Plaintiff has filed the required affidavit of indigence. Upon review of his affidavit, the court is satisfied that plaintiff meets the poverty requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Additionally, plaintiff has stated the nature of this action and asserted his belief that he is entitled to redress. Therefore, his request to proceed in forma pauperis will be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff’s request to proceed in forma pauperis is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(c)(3), the U.S. Marshals Service shall serve a copy of the complaint, a waiver of service form and/or the summons, and this order upon defendant. Plaintiff is advised that Congress requires the U.S. Marshals Service to charge for making or attempting such service. 28 U.S.C. § 1921(b). The current fee for waiver-of-service packages is \$8 per item. 28 C.F.R. §§ 0.114(a)(2). Although Congress requires the court to order service by the U.S. Marshals Service precisely because in forma pauperis plaintiffs are indigent, it has not made any provision for these fees to be waived either by the court or by the U.S. Marshals Service.

Plaintiff, however, should provide defendant or its counsel with copies of all future motions or papers filed by the plaintiff in this action.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 6th day of September, 2012.

s/ Lynn Adelman

LYNN ADELMAN
District Judge