IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

BRENT E. BROZEK,

Plaintiff, ORDER

13-cv-43-bbc

MIKE DENTICE,

Defendant.

Plaintiff Brent Brozek has filed a proposed civil complaint. Plaintiff has asked for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and has supported his request with an affidavit of indigency. The standard for determining whether plaintiff qualifies for indigent status is the following:

- From plaintiff's annual gross income, the court subtracts \$3700 for each dependent excluding the plaintiff.
- If the balance is less than \$16,000, the plaintiff may proceed without any prepayment of fees and costs.
- If the balance is greater than \$16,000 but less than \$32,000, the plaintiff must prepay half the fees and costs.
- If the balance is greater than \$32,000, the plaintiff must prepay all fees and costs.
- Substantial assets or debts require individual consideration.

In this case, plaintiff has a monthly income of \$1300, which makes his annual income \$15,600. Plaintiff has no dependents and no assets. Because plaintiff's income is less than \$16,000, he can proceed without any prepayment of fees or costs.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff's complaint is taken under advisement. As

soon as the court's calendar permits, plaintiff's complaint will be screened pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

§ 1915 to determine whether the case must be dismissed either because the complaint is

frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim on which relief may be granted or seeks monetary

relief against a defendant who is immune from such relief. Plaintiff will be notified promptly

when such a decision has been made. In the meantime, if plaintiff needs to communicate with

the court about this case, he should be sure to write the case number shown above on his

communication.

Entered this 23rd day of January, 2013.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

STEPHEN L. CROCKER

Magistrate Judge

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