

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

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MICHAEL YOUNG,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE JEFFERSON BUS LINES, CHARLES  
ZELLE AND JANE DOE,

Defendants.

ORDER

Case No. 14-cv-584-wmc

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MICHAEL YOUNG,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE WISCONSIN  
BUS TRANSIT AND WIL [LAST NAME  
UNKNOWN],

Defendants.

ORDER

Case No. 14-cv-585-wmc

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Plaintiff Michael Young has filed two proposed civil complaints and requests leave to proceed without prepayment of the filing fee in each of the above-referenced cases. He supports 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 \$3,700 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 is unemployed and has no assets. Plaintiff receives \$770 per month from Social Security Disability and \$167 per month from State Social Security Insurance, or \$11,244 annually. Additionally, plaintiff reports that he supports two minor dependents. The court subtracted \$3,700 for each dependent from plaintiff's annual income leaving a balance of \$3,844. Accordingly, plaintiff may proceed without any prepayment of fees or costs.

## ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The motions filed by plaintiff Michael Young for leave to proceed without prepayment of fees (Dkt. # 2) in case nos. 14-cv-584-wmc and 14-cv-585-wmc are GRANTED.

2. No further action will be taken in these cases until the court has screened the complaints pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 to determine whether these cases must be dismissed because the complaints are 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. Once the screening process is complete, a separate order will issue.

Entered this 25th day of August, 2014.

BY THE COURT:

/s/  
PETER OPPENEER  
Magistrate Judge