

18-7810

No.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

James Ed Traxler,

Petitioner,

-v-

Sherry L. Burt

Respondent.

ORIGINAL

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner, James Ed Traxler, respectfully asks this Honorable Court, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, for leave to proceed in forma pauperis so that he may file the accompanying Petition for Writ of Certiorari with the Court, and states further:

1. Petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis in the United States District Court for the Western District, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

2. Petitioner's affidavit or declaration in support of this motion is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

James Traxler

By: James Ed Traxler, MDOC No. 855644

Pro Se

Muskegon Correctional Facility

Date: January 11, 2019

2400 S. Sheridan Rd.

Muskegon, Michigan 49442

**AFFIDAVIT OR DECLARATION
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

I, James Ed Traxler, am the petitioner in the above-entitled case. In support of my motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*, I state that because of my poverty I am unable to pay the costs of this case or to give security therefor; and I believe I am entitled to redress.

1. For both you and your spouse estimate the average amount of money received from each of the following sources during the past 12 months. Adjust any amount that was received weekly, biweekly, quarterly, semiannually, or annually to show the monthly rate. Use gross amounts, that is, amounts before any deductions for taxes or otherwise.

Income source	Average monthly amount during the past 12 months		Amount expected next month	
	You	Spouse	You	Spouse
Employment	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>775</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>775</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Gifts	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Child Support	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>775</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>775</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Other (specify): <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Total monthly income:	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>775</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>

2. List your employment history for the past two years, most recent first. (Gross monthly pay is before taxes or other deductions.)

Employer	Address	Dates of Employment	Gross monthly pay
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A

3. List your spouse's employment history for the past two years, most recent employer first. (Gross monthly pay is before taxes or other deductions.)

Employer	Address	Dates of Employment	Gross monthly pay
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ 0
Below, state any money you or your spouse have in bank accounts or in any other financial institution.

Financial institution	Type of account	Amount you have	Amount your spouse has
Bank Account	Checking	\$ 0	\$ 200.00
N/A	N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A

5. List the assets, and their values, which you own or your spouse owns. Do not list clothing and ordinary household furnishings.

☒ Home
Value 50,000.00

☐ Other real estate
Value N/A

☒ Motor Vehicle #1
Year, make & model 1999 Chevy Cavalier
Value 300.00

☐ Motor Vehicle #2
Year, make & model N/A
Value N/A

☐ Other assets
Description N/A
Value N/A

6. State every person, business, or organization owing you or your spouse money, and the amount owed.

Person owing you or your spouse money	Amount owed to you	Amount owed to your spouse
N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A

7. State the persons who rely on you or your spouse for support.

Name	Relationship	Age
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A

8. Estimate the average monthly expenses of you and your family. Show separately the amounts paid by your spouse. Adjust any payments that are made weekly, biweekly, quarterly, or annually to show the monthly rate.

	You	Your spouse
Rent or home-mortgage payment (include lot rented for mobile home)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Are real estate taxes included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Is property insurance included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, water, sewer, and telephone)	\$ 0	\$ 80.00
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Food	\$ 0	\$ 150.00
Clothing	\$ 0	\$ 50.00
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$ 0	\$ 0
Medical and dental expenses	\$ 0	\$ 0

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>500 Annually</u>
Life	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Health	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>600 Annually</u>
Other: <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): <u>Property</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>800 Annually</u>
Installment payments		
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Credit card(s)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Department store(s)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Other: <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Other (specify): <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>Ø</u>
Total monthly expenses:	\$ <u>Ø</u>	\$ <u>1,900⁰⁰ Annually</u>

9. Do you expect any major changes to your monthly income or expenses or in your assets or liabilities during the next 12 months?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, describe on an attached sheet.

10. Have you paid – or will you be paying – an attorney any money for services in connection with this case, including the completion of this form? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, how much? N/A

If yes, state the attorney's name, address, and telephone number: N/A

11. Have you paid—or will you be paying—anyone other than an attorney (such as a paralegal or a typist) any money for services in connection with this case, including the completion of this form?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how much? 5000

If yes, state the person's name, address, and telephone number:

Joseph Michael McIntyre, MDOC No. 823709
Muskegon Correctional Facility
2400 S. Sheridan Rd.
Muskegon, Michigan 49442

12. Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the costs of this case.

I'm currently incarcerated without any income

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: January 11, 2019

C WILSON
Notary Public, Muskegon County, Michigan
My Commission Expires 11/13/2023
Acting in the County of Muskegon

C. Wilson 11/11/19

James Troph
(Signature)