

NO. 19-6474

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

ORIGINAL

CHRISTOPHER ANDREW TANK,

Petitioner,

v

MICHIGAN,

Respondent.

Supreme Court, U.S.
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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Petitioner Tank 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 this Court.

Petitioner has been found by the state trial court to be indigent for purposes of state appellate proceedings, and was appointed counsel for that purpose. As his affidavit indicates, Petitioner is currently incarcerated in a state prison and is not receiving any income.

Respectfully Submitted,



Date: October 24, 2019

Christopher Tank
Petitioner in *Pro Se*
1727 West Bluewater Highway
Ionia, Michigan 48846

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

I, Christopher Andrew Tank, am the petitioner in the above-entitled case, after first being duly sworn, depose and say that:

1. 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.
2. 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 deductions for taxes or otherwise.

Income source	Average monthly amount during the past 12 months		Amount expected next month	
	You	Spouse	You	Spouse
Employment	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Self-employment	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Interest and dividends	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Gifts	\$ 50	\$ _____	\$ 50	\$ _____
Alimony	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Unemployment payments	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Other (specify): _____	\$ 0	\$ _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Total monthly income:	\$ 50	\$ _____	\$ 50	\$ _____

3. 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			\$
			\$
			\$

4. 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			\$
			\$
			\$

5. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ 100

Below, state any money you or your spouse has in bank accounts or in any other financial institution.

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

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Home	Value N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Other real estate	Value N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #1		<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #2	
Year, make & model N/A		Year, make & model N/A	
Value N/A		Value N/A	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other assets	Description N/A		Value N/A

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

Person owing you or spouse money	Amount owed to you	Amount owed to your spouse
N/A	\$ 0	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

8. State the persons who rely on your spouse for support.

Name	Relationship	Age
N/A		

9. 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)	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Are real estate taxes included? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		
Is property insurance included? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		
Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, water, sewer, and telephone)	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Food	\$ <u> 25 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Clothing	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Medical and dental expenses	\$ <u> 5 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Life	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Health	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Other: _____	\$ <u> 0 </u>	\$ <u> </u>

	You	Your Spouse
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Installment payments:		
Motor Vehicle	\$ 0	\$ _____
Credit card(s)	\$ 0	\$ _____
Department store(s)	\$ 0	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ 0	\$ _____
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ 0	\$ _____
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm: (attach detailed statement)	\$ 0	\$ _____
Other (specify): <u>Legal Research</u>	\$ 10	\$ _____
Total monthly expenses:	\$ 50	\$ _____

10. 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.

11. 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? \$ _____

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

12. 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? \$ _____

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

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

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

Executed on: October 24, 2019


Christopher A. Tank, Petitioner

Subscribed and sworn to me on
this 24 day of October 2019.


Notary Public, Ionia County, Michigan.
My commission expires on 7/8/25