

NO. 19-6474

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

ORIGINAL

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CHRISTOPHER ANDREW TANK,

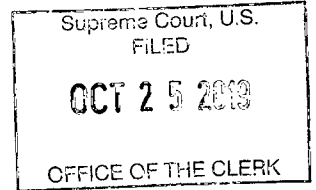
Petitioner,

v

MICHIGAN,

Respondent.

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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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "CT" or "C. Tank".

Date: October 24, 2019

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

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.

☐ Home Value N/A ☐ Other real estate Value N/A

☐ Motor Vehicle #1 ☐ Motor Vehicle #2  
 Year, make & model N/A Year, make & model N/A  
 Value N/A Value N/A

☐ 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)                       | \$ 0  | \$          |
| 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)                       | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)  | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Food   | \$ 25 | \$          |
| Clothing   | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Laundry and dry-cleaning   | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Medical and dental expenses  | \$ 5  | \$          |
| Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)                                    | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.                                   | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)                     |       |             |
| Homeowner's or renter's  | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Life   | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Health   | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Motor Vehicle  | \$ 0  | \$          |
| Other: _____   | \$ 0  | \$          |

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

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

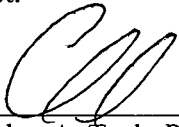
If yes, how much? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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