

In the Supreme Court of the United States

No.

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JOHN SCOTT CRAMER, PETITIONER

v.

STATE OF MISSOURI

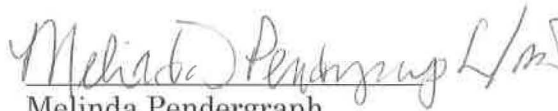
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**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS***

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**PETITIONER** asks for leave to file the attached Petition for a Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner was found indigent and represented in both the Missouri Circuit Courts and the Missouri Court of Appeals by the Office of the State Public Defender of the State of Missouri. Petitioner is currently imprisoned and has no income, and has no stocks, bonds, or assets for which to pay for these proceedings. A copy of the Missouri Circuit Court's order to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and an affidavit in support of this motion, completed by Petitioner, is attached as Appendix A to the Petition for a Writ of Certiorari.

Respectfully submitted,



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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI  
26<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

JOHN S. CRAMER	)	
	)	
Movant,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	Case No. 15CM-CC00215
	)	
STATE OF MISSOURI,	)	
	)	
Respondent,	)	
	)	

ORDER

NOW ON THIS 15th day of July, 2020, the Court, having considered the motion to perfect appeal as a poor person for John S. Cramer, finds that same is totally without means or resources of any nature to pay costs or filing fees for prosecuting his application for an appeal and is a poor person within the meaning of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that John S. Cramer be permitted to perfect his appeal as a poor person. The Court Reporter is directed to prepare and provide to Movant without cost, a copy of the transcript of the evidentiary hearing, if any, in this matter.

  
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Kenneth M. Hayden, Judge  
Jul 15, 2020

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

I, John Scott Allen Cramer 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>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Gifts	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Child Support	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Other (specify): <u>stimulus</u>	\$ <u>3200.00</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
<b>Total monthly income:</b>	\$ <u>3200.00</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</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
<u>N/A</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>

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
<u>N/A</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	\$ <u></u>

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ none  
Below, state any money you or your spouse have in bank accounts or in any other financial institution.

Type of account (e.g., checking or savings)	Amount you have	Amount your spouse has
<u>N/A</u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>

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

☐ Home  
Value none

☐ Other real estate  
Value none

☐ Motor Vehicle #1  
Year, make & model none  
Value

☐ Motor Vehicle #2  
Year, make & model none  
Value

☐ Other assets  
Description none  
Value

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  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

7. State the persons who rely on you or your spouse for support. For minor children, list initials instead of names (e.g. "J.S." instead of "John Smith").

Name

Relationship

Age

none  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

none  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

none  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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)

\$ none

\$ none

Are real estate taxes included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is property insurance included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Utilities (electricity, heating fuel,  
water, sewer, and telephone)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Food

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Laundry and dry-cleaning

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Medical and dental expenses

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>none</u>	\$ <u>none</u>
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Life	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Health	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Other: <u>n/A</u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): <u>n/A</u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Installment payments		
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Credit card(s)	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Department store(s)	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Other: <u>n/A</u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Other (specify): <u>n/A</u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>
Total monthly expenses:	\$ <u>Conf</u>	\$ <u>Conf</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? W/H

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? n/A

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

public defender fees for the  
Appeal of my case up to this point.

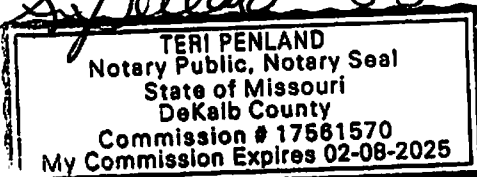
12. Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the costs of this case.

I am incarcerated and unable to  
work.

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

Executed on: July 29th, 2021

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[Signature]  
(Signature)