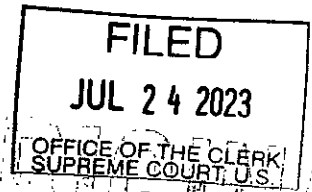


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In The  
**SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

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Property located at 2504 US Hwy. 522 N., Lewistown, Mifflin County,  
Pennsylvania, and \$140.00 in United States Currency,  
SCOTT A. SHREFFLER, Petitioner,

vs.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,  
Respondent

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

The Petitioner asks leave to file the attached petition for writ of certiorari without the payment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the following court(s):

Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania and the  
Mifflin County Court of Common Pleas.

Petitioner's affidavit or declaration in support of motion for leave to proceed *In Forma Pauperis* is attached. The courts below granted Petitioner *in forma pauperis* status in the current proceeding, pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules of Appellate Procedure 551-561.

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

I, SCOTT ALLEN SHREFFLER, 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>50.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>50.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Gifts <u>From Father</u>	\$ <u>150.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>150.00</u> <sup>maybe</sup>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Child Support	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other (specify): _____	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
<b>Total monthly income:</b>	\$ <u>200.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>200.00</u> <sup>maybe</sup> only thing guaranteed is my \$50 work pay	\$ <u>N/A</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
PA. Dept. of Corrections Library Job	SCI-Rockview P.O. Box A Bellefonte, PA 16823	Jan. 2022 - Current	\$ App. \$50.00
PA. D.O.C. Janitor	Same	Jan. 2020 - Jan. 2022	\$ App. \$30.00

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			\$
			\$
			\$

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ N/A  
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
N/A	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

5. 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 <u>N/A</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other real estate Value <u>N/A</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #1 <u>Inoperable</u> Year, make & model <u>2005 Ford Focus</u> Value <u>Scrap Metal price, only value</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #2 Year, make & model <u>N/A</u> Value _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other assets Description <u>None, After my incarceration in 2016, my home was lost to the</u> Value _____ <u>Forfeiture that is the subject of this Petition.</u>	

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

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
<u>N/A</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

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)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</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 <u>telephone</u> )	\$ <u>25.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Food	\$ <u>120.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Clothing	\$ <u>10.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Laundry and dry-cleaning <u>Soap Powder</u>	\$ <u>5.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Medical and dental expenses <u>(Copy)</u>	\$ <u>5.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc. <sup>Cable Bill</sup>	\$ <u>17.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Life	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Health	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other: _____	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): _____	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Installment payments		
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Credit card(s) <sup>I was defrauded after my incarceration, so I have debts but can't pay them.</sup>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Department store(s)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other: _____	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other (specify): <sup>Postage, Copies &amp; Typing Ribbons, etc.</sup> <u>for pending criminal case litigation</u>	\$ <u>15.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
<b>Total monthly expenses:</b>	\$ <u>197.00</u>	\$ <u>N/A</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? N/A

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

N/A

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

*I have been incarcerated since March 28, 2016 on the criminal case from which the instant Forfeiture action derived, and I will not be granted parole in the near future. As a result of that criminal case, the Commonwealth seized my home with the instant Forfeiture action. Also, the police misplaced my wallet upon my arrest. Someone then stole my bank account debit card and various credit cards from that wallet and defrauded the account and my credit cards, causing me substantial debt. So, I have lost everything and am in debt. I also owe my father for the personal loan for the home that was seized and a car that is no longer driveable.*

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. If I were able to procure funds for representation, it would go to representation in the post-conviction proceeding of my criminal case for an investigator/attorney.

Executed on: August, 16, 2023

*Swift A. Shuff*  
(Signature)