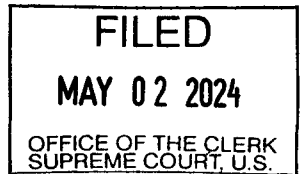


No. 23 - 7414



In the Supreme Court of the United States

Mark VandenBoom, Petitioner

v.

Robert Strohmeier, Respondent

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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

Please check the appropriate boxes:

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

☒ Petitioner has **not** previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in any other court.

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

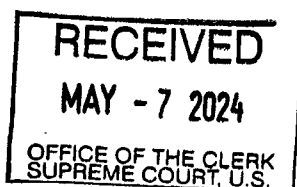
☐ Petitioner's affidavit or declaration is **not** attached because the court below appointed counsel in the current proceeding, and:

☐ The appointment was made under the following provision of law: _____

_____, or

☐ a copy of the order of appointment is appended.

Mark A VandenBoom
(Signature)



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

I, Mark VanDenBoom , 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	\$9,533	\$10,548	\$1,060	\$0
Self-Employment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest and dividends	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gifts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Alimony	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Child Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Retirement (such as social security pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Disability (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance payments)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Unemployment payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,560
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (specify): _____	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total monthly income:	\$9,533	\$10,548	\$1,060	\$1,560

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
Fifth Third Bank (CBTS Contract)	38 Fountain Square Plaza, Cincinnati, OH	4/2024 – Present	\$1,060
GE Aerospace (CBTS Contract)	Cincinnati, OH	9/2023 – 3/2024	\$10,400
The Christ Hospital (CBTS Contract)	2139 Auburn Ave, Cincinnati, OH	2/2023 - 7/2023	\$12,000
Oportun	Menlo Park, CA	7/2022 - 10/2022	\$13,600
Jensen Hughes		3/2021 – 6/2022	\$12,000

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
hc1	6100 Technology Center Drive, Indianapolis, IN	1/29/2020 – 1/30/2024	\$11,443

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$34,000

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
Chase	Joint Checking	\$11,000	
Chase	Joint Savings	\$19,500	
Chase	Checking	\$2,000	
Chase	Checking		\$1,500

5. 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

Year, make & model 2009 Dodge Journey

Value \$4,000

☒ Motor Vehicle #2

Year, make & model 2017 BMW X3

Value \$15,500

☒ Other assets

Description 1999 Ford F150

Value \$1,000

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
None	\$0	\$0

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
W.V.	Son	15
L.V.	Daughter	13

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)	\$1,600	\$0
Are real estate taxes included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Is property insurance included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, water, sewer, telephone)	\$954	\$0
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$2,000	\$0
Food	\$0	\$900
Clothing	\$0	\$100
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$0	\$20
Medical and dental expenses	\$2,000	\$200
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$200	\$300

Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$100	\$0
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$0	\$0
Life	\$170	\$0
Health	\$0	\$2,000
Motor Vehicle	\$0	\$185
Other: N/A	\$0	\$0
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): N/A	\$0	\$0
Installment payments		
Motor Vehicle	\$0	\$0
Credit card(s)	\$0	\$350
Department store(s)	\$100	
Other: N/A	\$0	\$0
Alimony, maintenance and support paid to others	\$0	\$0
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$0	\$0
Other (specify): N/A	\$0	\$0
Total Monthly Expenses	\$7,124	\$4,055

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.

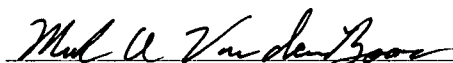
In January 2024, my wife's job ended as part of a company-wide reduction in force. As of April 2024 she still has not secured employment and is receiving only unemployment benefits for compensation. She is making effort to obtain employment, but has not yet been successful.

I have been on short term contracts off and on over the past few years. When I am under contract the pay is typically good, but my most recent full-time contract ended unexpectedly at the beginning of April 2024. This left both myself and my wife without full-time work. I am currently working a short-term, lower-wage contract for just 5-10 hours a week to help pay our monthly expenses until I can secure a full-time contract.

Our family of four is currently living off of the minimal amount we are able to receive from this part time work and unemployment benefits, as well as our quickly diminishing savings. We both do hope to secure full-time jobs in the coming months, however as we have yet to be successful and our deadline for filing this writ is quickly approaching we are unable to make the investment in filing, printing, and binding fees at this time.

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

Executed on: May 1, 2024


(Signature)