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Sherrell Dowdell -  
McElhanev — PETITIONER  
(Your Name)

VS.

Global Payments, — RESPONDENT(S)  
Inc. et al.

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): Granted on February 13, 2023

The United States District Court for  
The Middle District of Georgia Columbus  
Division - Case No.: 4:20-CV-1289-CDL

☐ 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.

(Signature)

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

I, Sherrell Dowdell-McElhane, 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<br>the past 12 months |               | Amount expected<br>next month |               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
|                                                                            | You                                                 | Spouse        | You                           | Spouse        |
| Employment                                                                 | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Self-employment                                                            | \$ N/A                                              | \$ N/A        | \$ N/A                        | \$ N/A        |
| Income from real property<br>(such as rental income)                       | \$ 850.00                                           | \$ N/A        | \$ 850.00                     | \$ N/A        |
| Interest and dividends                                                     | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Gifts                                                                      | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Alimony                                                                    | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Child Support                                                              | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Retirement (such as social<br>security, pensions,<br>annuities, insurance) | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Disability (such as social<br>security, insurance payments)                | \$ 1,751. <sup>70</sup>                             | \$ N/A        | \$ 1,751. <sup>70</sup>       | \$ N/A        |
| Unemployment payments                                                      | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Public-assistance<br>(such as welfare)                                     | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| Other (specify):                                                           | \$ 0                                                | \$ N/A        | \$ 0                          | \$ N/A        |
| <b>Total monthly income:</b>                                               | <b>\$ 2,601.<sup>70</sup></b>                       | <b>\$ N/A</b> | <b>\$ 2,601.<sup>70</sup></b> | <b>\$ N/A</b> |

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 |
|------------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Unemployed |         |                     | \$                |
|            |         |                     | \$                |
|            |         |                     | \$                |

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? \$ - 0 -  
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 |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Checking                                    | \$ 0            | \$ 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Other real estate |
| Value \$105,000.00                       | Value N/A                                  |

|                                                      |                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #2 |
| Year, make & model 2024 Ford Escape                  | Year, make & model N/A                    |
| Value \$31,000.00 - Vehicle of                       | Value                                     |
| 21 years was totalled in March of 2024.              |                                           |

|                                                  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other assets |  |
| Description N/A                                  |  |
| 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

None

Amount owed to you

\$ N/A

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

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

Amount owed to your spouse

\$ 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   |
|------------|--------------|-------|
| <u>N/A</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.

Rent or home-mortgage payment  
(include lot rented for mobile home)

Are real estate taxes included? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is property insurance included? ☐ Yes ☒ No

You

\$ 850.00

Your spouse

\$ N/A

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

\$ 488.84

\$ N/A

Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)

\$ - 0 -

\$ N/A

Food

\$ 300.00

\$ N/A

Clothing

\$ - 0 -

\$ N/A

Laundry and dry-cleaning

\$ - 0 -

\$ N/A

Medical and dental expenses

\$ - 0 -

\$ N/A

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? Not sure

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

Kenneth E. Barton, III 478-202-4221  
Cooper, Barton & Cooper  
170 College Street  
Macon, Ga. 31201

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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

I was declared legally disabled on August 21, 2023. And my monthly expenses for exceed my SSA's Disability check of \$1,751.00. Plus, \$156.00 is taken out each month for taxes as well.

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

Executed on: August 15, 2024.

Sherree Dowdell -  
(Signature) McElhoney

On July 31, 2021, I suffered a "massive heart attack." Notwithstanding, I had achieved the American dream by acquiring a bachelor, master's, and Juris Doctor degrees and being employed, since I was sixteen (16) years old.

My permanent health condition has made it impossible for me to be employed. Therefore, on August 21, 2023, I was designated disabled by the Social Security Administration Department.

And thereafter, I have a very limited source of income. Today, I have a difficult time paying monthly bills, including paying for <sup>my</sup> medications.

Hence, my permanent health condition was caused by an adverse reaction to my 2nd Pfizer Vaccine. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Sherrell Dowdell -  
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