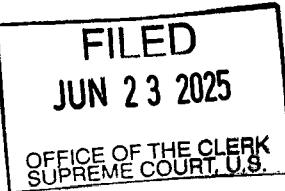


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No. \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES



Joseph Gants — PETITIONER  
(Your Name)

VS.

State of Maine — RESPONDENT(S)

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):

Penobscot County Superior Court

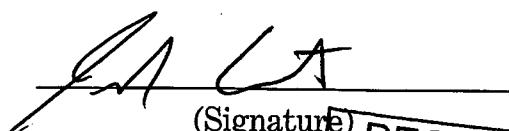
Petitioner has **not** previously been granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in any other court.

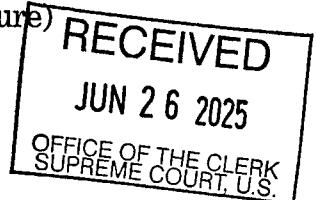
Petitioner's affidavit or declaration in support of this motion is attached hereto.

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)



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

I, Joseph Cants, 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.

<b>Income source</b>	<b>Average monthly amount during the past 12 months</b>		<b>Amount expected next month</b>	
	<b>You</b>	<b>Spouse</b>	<b>You</b>	<b>Spouse</b>
Employment	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Self-employment	\$ <u>2000</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>6000</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Gifts	\$ <u>50</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Alimony	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other (specify): <u>Cleaning</u> <u>black</u> <u>writing</u> <u>Letters</u>	\$ <u>15</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
<b>Total monthly income:</b>	\$ <u>2065</u>	\$ _____	\$ <u>6000</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
Self Incarcerated	14185 W Sunrise Lake Drive, Payson, AZ	2012 - present	\$ Varies
Release	U/27/201 - M/5/6/2021		\$
			\$

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
WMA			\$
			\$
			\$

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 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
Business Check	\$ 1,900	\$
Business Check	\$ 4,026	\$
Personnel Check	\$ 500	\$ N/A

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

Home Value \$30,000  Other real estate Value \_\_\_\_\_

Motor Vehicle #1 Year, make & model 2002 Ford Excursion  Motor Vehicle #2 Year, make & model \_\_\_\_\_  
 Value \$5,000 Value \_\_\_\_\_

Other assets Description Trailer 6x12 enclosed part \$2,900 Utility 6x12 \$800  
 Value \$1,700 Business Tools \$5,000 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
<u>WMA</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
AJC	Son	16
GMC	Son	14
CT	Daughter	8

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)	\$ 0	\$ N/A
Are real estate taxes included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Is property insurance included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, water, sewer, and telephone)	\$ 0	\$ _____
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ 100	\$ _____
Food	\$ 800	\$ N/A
Clothing	\$ 50	\$ N/A
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$ 0	\$ _____
Medical and dental expenses	\$ 0	\$ _____

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>600<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ _____
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$ <u>50<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ _____
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Life	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Health	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): <u>Real Estate, personal prop., business</u>	\$ <u>150<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ _____
Installment payments	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Credit card(s)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Department store(s)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ <u>0<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ <u>100<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ _____
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (specify): <u>accumulated debts</u>	\$ <u>300<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ _____
<b>Total monthly expenses:</b>	\$ <u>580<sup>00</sup></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? \$200 ~~ee~~

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

Bangor Maine Court assessed a partial In Forma Paupers fee

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? \_\_\_\_\_

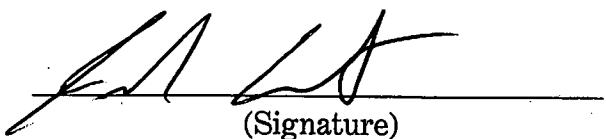
If yes, state the person's name, address, and telephone number:

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

Since 2016 I've had more legal troubles than I care to speak of costing me everything leaving my net worth at zero or close to it. I've been faithfully paying child support, taxes, and fines since release.

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

Executed on: June 22, 2025



(Signature)