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IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

JEREMY BAUM,
Petitioner,
v.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari
To the Supreme Court of Missouri

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED IN *FORMA PAUPERIS*

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COMES NOW, James C. Egan, attorney for petitioner, Jeremy Baum, and pursuant to Rule 39, requests leave to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed in *forma pauperis*.

1. Petitioner is presently housed in the Missouri Department of Corrections at South Central Correctional Center. Petitioner has been represented throughout his appeal by the Missouri State Public Defender because he cannot afford an attorney. Petitioner has insufficient assets to pay the costs of this case. His affidavit statement in support of this motion is attached.

2. Petitioner has been granted leave to proceed as a poor person during his appeal by the Circuit Court of Johnson County, Missouri in 2022 appeal in the Missouri Western District Court of Appeals in 2022. The order of the Circuit Court is also attached.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner Jeremy Baum prays this Court grant him leave to proceed in *forma pauperis* in this Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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

I, JEREMY BAUM, 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>70.⁰⁰/_{xx}</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>50.⁰⁰/_{xx}</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Gifts	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Child Support	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Other (specify): <u>NONE</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>/</u>
Total monthly income:	\$ <u>70.⁰⁰/_{xx}</u>	\$ <u>/</u>	\$ <u>50.⁰⁰/_{xx}</u>	\$ <u>/</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
SOUTH CENTRAL CORRECTIONAL	255 W. HWY 32	6/1/25 - CURRENT	\$ 25.00
SOUTH CENTRAL CORRECTIONAL	Licking MO 65542	9/15/22 - 5/31/25	\$ 80.00
			\$ -

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
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ 0.00
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
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

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

☐ Home
Value

☐ Other real estate
Value

☐ Motor Vehicle #1
Year, make & model
Value

☐ Motor Vehicle #2
Year, make & model
Value

☐ Other assets
Description
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

\$ _____
\$ _____
\$ _____

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

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)

\$ _____

\$ _____

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> </u>	\$ <u> </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> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): <u> </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> </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> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Total monthly expenses:	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </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? 500, ~~xx~~

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

JAMES EGAN

601 E. WALNUT ST.

Columbia, MO 65203

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:

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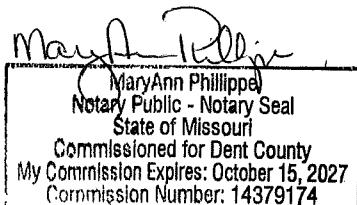
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12. Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the costs of this case.

I am incarcerated. I have been incarcerated since September of 2020. I lost all my assets at the time of arrest without the opportunity to liquidate them. I was sentenced to 27 years.

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

Executed on: July 31, 2025



Jeremy Barun
(Signature)

State of MISSOURI

County of TEXAS

On this 31 day of JULY in the year 2025, before me, the

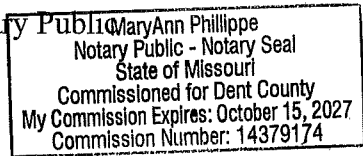
Undersigned notary public, personally appeared JEREMY BAUM,

known to me to be the person(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and

acknowledged that he/she/they executed the same for the purposes therein contained. In

witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

MaryAnn Phillippe



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JOHNSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

FILED

JOHNSON COUNTY, MO

2 FEBRUARY 2022

STEPHANIE ELKINS

CLERK - CIRCUIT COURT

STATE OF MISSOURI,
Plaintiff,

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v.

JEREMY BAUM
Defendant,

ORDER TO PERFECT APPEAL FORMA PAUPERIS

NOW on this 2 day of February 2022, the Court having considered Defendant's Motion to Perfect Appeal as a Poor Person, find that Defendant is totally without means or resources and is a poor person with the meaning of the law.

IT IS ORDERED that Defendant be permitted to perfect his appeal as a poor person, and that the Court Reporter prepare the transcript of the record on appeal in the above-captioned cause, if requested, including a copy to be furnished to Defendant or appointed counsel, and that the costs therefore shall be paid by the State of Missouri.

So Ordered this Date: 2/2/22



Judge