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IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Appellate Case No. 25-4002

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**Paul Kenneth Cromar**

Petitioner

V.

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Respondent-Plaintiff/Appellee

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**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE INFORMA PAUPERIS**

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

Petitioner has previously been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis in the following courts: District Court (SLC) 2:23 -cr-00159-HCN, and Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals (Den) 25-4002, and the U.S. Supreme Court case 24-7258 on the Habeas Corpus.

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

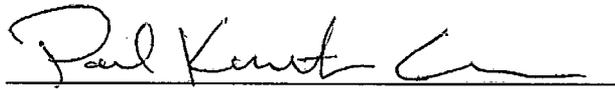
Petitioner's affidavit or declaration in support of this motion is attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted February 17, 2026,



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Pro Se

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of this Motion For Leave To File Informa Pauperis was placed in the institutional mail system for service to:

United States Attorney's Office for the District of Utah  
111 South Main Street, Suite 1800  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111



Paul Kenneth Cromar

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

I, Paul Kenneth Cromar, 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 <sup>Prison Job</sup>	Spouse	You	Spouse
Employment	\$ <u>28.05</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Gifts	\$ <u>500.00</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>500.00</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Child Support	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Retirement (such as social security, pensions, annuities, insurance)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Other (specify): _____	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
<b>Total monthly income:</b>	\$ <u>528.05</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</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
None	/	/	\$ /
			\$ /
			\$ /

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
None	/	/	\$ /
			\$ /
			\$ /

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ 0.00 All taken by IRS.  
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
Personal account/	\$ 0.00	\$ N/A
	\$ I don't	\$
	\$ know.	\$

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 _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other real estate Value _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #1 Year, make & model _____ Value _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle #2 Year, make & model _____ Value _____

Other assets  
Description None - IRS stole our house, and all contents were put into 7 large dumpsters and taken to landfill. We have been left destitute. And, Magistrate Pead of US District Court declared me indigent, and the court costs have all been covered. The "Restitution" + other fees are required after release. (see all court documents.)  
Value \$ 0.00

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>None</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</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>None</u>	<del>_____</del>	<del>_____</del>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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 - In Arison	Your spouse I have not seen her since August 30, 2023
Rent or home-mortgage payment (include lot rented for mobile home)	\$ <u>0<sup>00</sup></u>	\$ <u>0</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 telephone)	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>
Food	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>
Clothing	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>
Medical and dental expenses	\$ <u>11</u>	\$ <u>?</u>

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>0.00</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>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): _____	\$ <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>
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>
<b>Total monthly expenses:</b>	\$ <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? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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 have not seen my wife and she has been unavailable to me since my arrest August 30, 2023. I am currently at a federal Prison Camp in Florence, CO, with a potential qualifying for home confinement February of 2027, and probation thereafter.

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

Executed on: January 21, 2026

by: Paul Kenneth Cromar  
Paul Kenneth Cromar

Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$0	\$ See *
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$0	\$ See *
Other (specify):	\$0	\$ See *
<b>Total monthly expenses:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$ See *</b>

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 spent — or will you be spending — any money for expenses or attorney fees in connection with this lawsuit?  Yes  No*

*If yes, how much?*

Difficult to assess because the jail charges me for any copies I need and USPS Postage.

11. *Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the docket fees for your appeal.*

Magistrate Judge Dustin Pead of the U.S. District court has determined that I am "indigent" and hence has had the court pay for all court related expenses.

12. *State the city and state of your legal residence.*

I have no legal residence other than the  
Davis County Correctional Facility,  
Farmington, UT

*Your daytime phone number:* N/A

*Your age:* 65 *Your years of schooling:* High School, Bachelor of Fine Arts, and  
66 on May 5, 2025 an Associates Degree in advertising.

*Last four digits of your social-security number:* 9932