



No. 26-5576



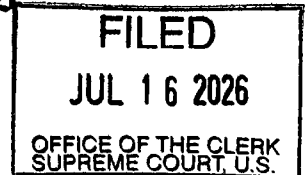
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IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

SHARI LYNN OLIVER, *Petitioner*,

v.

MATTHEW WARREN OLIVER, *Respondent*.



MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

Petitioner, Shari Lynn Oliver, respectfully requests leave to file the accompanying petition for a writ of certiorari without prepayment of costs and to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to Rule 39 of the Rules of this Court.

In support of this motion:

- Petitioner was previously granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this Court in Case Nos. 24-5665 and 25-6093.
- Petitioner was granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the state court proceedings from which this petition arises.
- Petitioner has submitted the affidavit/declaration required by Rule 39 in support of this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Executed on September 8, 2026.

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

I, Shari Lynn Oliver, 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>1,000</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>1,175</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Self-employment	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Income from real property (such as rental income)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Interest and dividends	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Gifts	\$ <u>400</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>400</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Alimony	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</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>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Disability (such as social security, insurance payments)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Unemployment payments	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Public-assistance (such as welfare)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other (specify): <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Total monthly income:	\$ <u>1,400</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>1,575</u>	\$ <u>N/A</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
Always Best Care Senior Services	St. George, UT 84790	Apr. 2026 - current	\$ 425
Homewatch Caregivers of Utah	South Salt Lake, UT 84115	Dec. 2025 - current	\$ 750
			\$

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	N/A	N/A	\$ N/A
			\$
			\$

4. How much cash do you and your spouse have? \$ 120
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	\$ 74	\$ N/A
Checking	\$ 14	\$ N/A
Savings	\$ 3	\$ 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 N/A

☐ Other real estate
Value N/A

☒ Motor Vehicle #1
Year, make & model 2015 Ford Edge
Value \$4,000

☐ Motor Vehicle #2
Year, make & model N/A
Value N/A

☒ Other assets
Description Bitcoin
Value \$35

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
N/A	\$ N/A	\$ 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
M.A.O.	Daughter	14
M.L.O.	Son	11

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? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Is property insurance included? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
Utilities (electricity, heating fuel, water, sewer, and telephone)	\$ 35	\$ N/A
Home maintenance (repairs and upkeep)	\$ 0	\$ N/A
Food	\$ 500	\$ N/A
Clothing	\$ 5	\$ N/A
Laundry and dry-cleaning	\$ 0	\$ N/A
Medical and dental expenses	\$ 0	\$ N/A

	You	Your spouse
Transportation (not including motor vehicle payments)	\$ <u>50</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Recreation, entertainment, newspapers, magazines, etc.	\$ <u>5</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Insurance (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
Homeowner's or renter's	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Life	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Health	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>120</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other: <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Taxes (not deducted from wages or included in mortgage payments)		
(specify): <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Installment payments		
Motor Vehicle	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Credit card(s)	\$ <u>275</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Department store(s)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other: <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Alimony, maintenance, and support paid to others	\$ <u>630</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Regular expenses for operation of business, profession, or farm (attach detailed statement)	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Other (specify): <u>For children: travel/food/entertain/gift</u>	\$ <u>385</u>	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Total monthly expenses:	\$ <u>2,005</u>	\$ <u>N/A</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? 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:

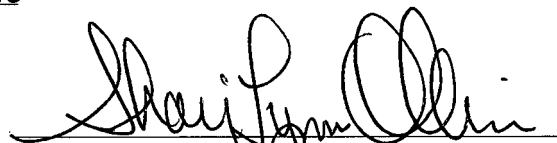
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12. Provide any other information that will help explain why you cannot pay the costs of this case.

See attached sheet.

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

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(Signature)

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Attached Sheet

9. Yes.

I anticipate continued significant changes in my financial circumstances during the next 12 months due to ongoing child-support enforcement. My current monthly resources consist of approximately \$1,175 in gross employment income and approximately \$400 in monthly financial assistance from my mother, who currently provides housing and other basic support. Approximately \$630 per month is withheld from my wages for child support, which is less than the amount currently ordered and does not prevent additional arrearages from accruing. The current child-support arrearage exceeds \$23,000. I also remain subject to ongoing enforcement proceedings, including a bench warrant arising from my inability to appear personally for a contempt-related proceeding after advising the court that I lacked the financial ability to travel. These circumstances may substantially affect my employment, income, and ability to meet basic living expenses.

12.

I currently have more than \$11,600 in credit-card debt, which has continued to increase because my available resources do not cover my basic living expenses and ongoing obligations. I currently rely on financial assistance from my mother for housing and necessities.

I cannot afford the filing fee and related costs required to pursue this case, including the costs associated with preparing and filing a petition for writ of certiorari in the required format. Paying those costs would require me to divert funds needed for basic living expenses or incur additional debt, and would impose a substantial financial hardship.