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United States District Court
Northern District of Ohio
General Order

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2020-17

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

PACER FEE EXEMPTION FOR)	
BRENT JOHNSON)	ORDER NO. 2020-17
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Brent Johnson, an individual researcher associated with an educational institution, has submitted a request for a PACER fee exemption and falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption on the basis that the applicant is performing academic research. Additionally, the applicant has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

Accordingly, the applicant shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this Court to the extent such use is incurred in the course of researching the number of immigration cases filed that have specific Nature of Suite codes and specific Causes of Action identifiers to better understand the success and failure rates of these particular types of immigration cases, and also see if trends can be identified on how the Courts decide whether to hear these types of cases during different time periods. The applicant shall not be exempt from the payment of fees incurred in connection with other uses of the PACER system in this Court.

Additionally, the following limitations apply:

1. This fee exemption applies only to the applicant and is valid only for the purposes stated above.
2. This fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this Court that are available through the PACER system.
3. By accepting this exemption, the applicant agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption.
4. The applicant is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistribution via internet based databases.
5. This exemption is valid until July 31, 2021.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the PACER Service Center, which should provide applicant a PACER account with a fee exemption to access the records of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio for:

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT



Patricia A. Gaughan
Chief Judge