

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Affidavit of Indigency

12-2152

I, Mel M. Marin, do hereby state that I am without the necessary funds to pay the costs of this action for the following reason(s):

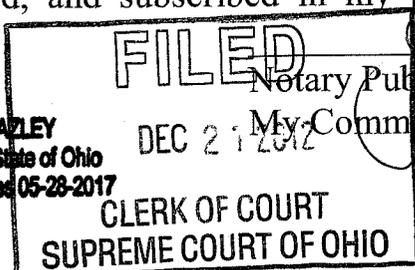
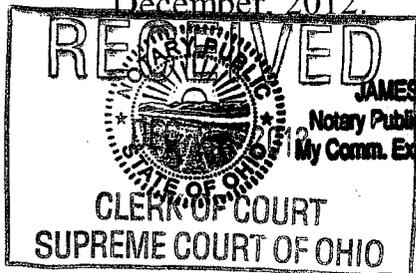
I have spent most of 2011 and 2012 with no work. I worked only three weeks in January 2012, and had only sporadic work in all of 2011 of less than 8 weeks in total, and I have no savings. I worked for a total of about 10 weeks out of 52 weeks this entire year, earning less than about \$4,000 all year, and does not count training for work in summer which was not paid. All the pay together was only enough for food, car insurance, gas, a portable phone, copies and stamps for submissions to courts in California, Arizona, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York for litigation involving my family trusts and the family real estate business. No heat. No utilities. The copies and stamps alone cost more than food, and I have failed to meet initial submission deadlines in most courts because for several months at a time I could not pay for copies and stamps and had to wait for temporary work just to pay them. For instance, I was ordered by a Pennsylvania court to file an appeal brief 9 months ago but did not file it until 2 weeks ago, because they required 15 copies and I could not pay for it until I took a temporary job in Columbus which, like the others, ended after a few weeks.

I own a house in Erie as trustee of a family trust, which is my permanent residence, but it is illegal to live in it, and it was condemned by the city and assessed a value of \$0. I tried to sell the house for \$50 to pay for court costs, and no one would buy it. I have been warned that I may be arrested if I try to live there. I own a 1995 Dodge Caravan car worth about \$200, no pensions, and cannot pay for common necessities of daily living even if I do not pay court fees.

Pursuant to Rule 15.3, of the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, and for the reasons stated above, I am requesting that the filing fee and security deposit, if applicable, be waived.

Mel M. Marin  
Affiant

Sworn to, or affirmed, and subscribed in my presence this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012.



Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 5/28/17