

## **ORDER REJECTING PLEADING REASONS FOR REJECTION**

[For each selection, the associated full text that will be produced in the order is provided.]

### **1. Filing fee is required**

A \$400.00 filing fee is required. If Filer cannot afford the filing fee, an affidavit of financial status must be completed and submitted at the time of filing of the complaint. Form enclosed.

### **2. Submission is not in compliance with Rule 3 (new complaint)**

The submission is not in compliance with Rule 3 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which states in part: "A civil action is commenced by filing a complaint with the court." The first step in an action is the filing of the complaint and filing fee. A proper complaint must contain the basis for the Court's jurisdiction, a caption which includes the names of all parties, averments of claim or defense in numbered paragraphs, and a short, plain statement of the claim showing plaintiff is entitled to relief. A \$400.00 filing fee is required. If Filer cannot afford the filing fee, an affidavit of financial status must be completed and submitted at the time of filing of the complaint.

### **3. Submission is not in compliance with LCivR 10.1 (format/font/margin)**

The submission is not in compliance with Local Civil Rule 10.1, which states, "All documents must be double spaced in 8 ½ x 11 inch format with writing on only the face of each sheet. Type must be no smaller than 12 point type and all margins must be at least one inch."

### **4. No reference to case caption or number**

Filer has several cases in this Court. The document does not clearly reference a case caption or case number. Therefore, the Court is unable to link this document to any of Filer's cases.

### **5. No case in this court**

Filer currently has no case filed with this Court. If Filer wishes to file a complaint in this Court, he/she must comply with the requirements in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. A proper complaint must contain the basis for the Court's jurisdiction, a caption which includes the names of all parties, averments of claim or defense in numbered paragraphs, and a short, plain statement of the claim showing plaintiff is entitled to relief. A \$400.00 filing fee is required (or \$5.00 for a habeas corpus case). If Filer cannot afford the filing fee, an affidavit of financial status must be completed and submitted at the time of filing of the complaint.

### **6. Neither a party nor an attorney in the case**

Filer is neither a party nor an attorney in this case and, therefore, may not submit any documents for filing.

### **7. Case was transferred to another court**

The case was transferred to the (Northern, Southern, etc) District of (State) on date of transfer. All further questions /inquiries should be directed to said Court.

**8. Caption on documents is for another court**

Filer is attempting to file documents with this Court, although the case caption indicates that the documents should be filed with (name of other court where case is pending). It appears that the documents were submitted to this Court in error.

**9. Informational copies of items filed with Sixth Circuit**

Filer is attempting to file documents with this Court, although it appears the original documents were submitted to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Unless ordered to do so, copies of documents filed with the Court of Appeals should not be filed with this court.

**10. Case is closed**

Pursuant to the Order entered Date closing order was entered, this case is now closed.

**11. Represented by counsel**

Filer is represented by counsel. All filings should be submitted to this Court through Filer's counsel.

**12. Documents are duplication of documents already filed**

The documents are a duplication of documents filed (enter date documents were previously filed), in the Clerk's Office.

**13. Documents appear to be exhibits**

The documents appear to be exhibits. Exhibits must be attached to a pleading, motion or brief. No pleading, motion or brief was included for filing.

**14. Attempting to file criminal complaint**

Filer is attempting to file a criminal complaint. A criminal complaint may be initiated only by the United States Attorney's Office and not by an individual.

**15. Amending a pleading when a responsive pleading is already filed**

Filer is attempting to amend a pleading. Pursuant to Rule 15(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, since a responsive pleading has been filed in this case, a party may amend their pleading only by leave of court or written consent of the adverse party.

**16. Amending a pleading when a Rule 12(b) motion is already filed**

Filer is attempting to amend a pleading. Pursuant to Rule 15(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, since a Rule 12(b) motion has been filed in this case, a party may amend their pleading only by leave of court or written consent of the adverse party.

**17. Enjoined from filing**

Pursuant to this Court's Order dated (Enter date of order), Filer has been enjoined from filing any additional pleadings or other documents connected with the action or arising from the same transaction or occurrence that was the subject matter of the litigation.

**18. Submitted documents by facsimile**

Filer has made a submission of documents by facsimile. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 5.7(k), "The Clerk will not accept for filing any pleading or other paper submitted by facsimile transmission."

**19. Court may not accept papers just to have them on file for possible future cases**

The Court is not authorized to accept papers just to have them on file for possible future cases. If Filer wishes to file a new complaint in this Court, he/she must comply with the requirements in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. A proper complaint must contain the basis for the Court's jurisdiction, a caption which includes the names of all the parties, averments of claim or defense in numbered paragraphs, and a short and plain statement of the claim showing plaintiff is entitled to relief. A \$400.00 filing fee is required (or \$5.00 for a habeas corpus case) and if Filer cannot afford the filing fee, an affidavit of financial status must be submitted at the time of filing the complaint.

**20. Nonsensical documents**

Filer has submitted documents which are nonsensical in nature. If Filer intends for such documents to be used as exhibits, Filer must submit the documents attached to a pleading, motion or brief, specifically setting out the purpose and relevance to this case.

**21. Requirements if filer wishes to file a new complaint**

If Filer wishes to file a new complaint in this Court, he/she must comply with the requirements in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. A proper complaint must contain the basis for the Court's jurisdiction, a caption which includes the names of all the parties, averments of claim or defense in numbered paragraphs, and a short and plain statement of the claim showing plaintiff is entitled to relief. A \$400.00 filing fee is required and if Filer cannot afford the filing fee, an affidavit of financial status must be submitted at the time of filing the complaint.

**22. Form is only appropriate for corporate parties**

This form is only appropriate for filing on behalf of corporate parties.

**23. Misc unidentified paperwork**

Submission of miscellaneous unidentified paperwork with no case number and no action by the court requested is not an appropriate use of court resources.

**24. OTHER - self-describe the reason for rejection**

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