UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY HANNAH RINGLER

Administrative Order No. 24-MS-038

This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Hannah Ringler for exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts.

The Court finds that Hannah Ringler, an assistant teaching professor associated with the Illinois Institute of Technology, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Ringler has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

Accordingly, Ringler 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 argumentative strategies used in defamation lawsuits with nature of suit codes 310-368 from 2013 to 2023.

Ringler 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:

- This fee exemption applies only to Hannah Ringler (PACER Account #7587067),
 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, Ringler agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained

as a result of receiving this exemption;

- 4. Ringler 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 from 5/29/2024, through 12/31/2024.

This Order 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.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT:

Dated: May 29, 2024

HALA Y. JARBOU

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE