

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION
FROM THE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC
ACCESS FEES BY BRIAN FITZPATRICK

Administrative Order
No. 26-MS-034

This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Brian Fitzpatrick 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 Brian Fitzpatrick, a professor at Vanderbilt Law School, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Fitzpatrick has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

Accordingly, Fitzpatrick 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 reviewing cases aimed at simplifying the calculation of attorney's fees in cases with fee-shifting provisions.

Fitzpatrick 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 Brian Fitzpatrick (PACER Account #5710915), 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, Fitzpatrick agrees not to sell for profit any data

obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;

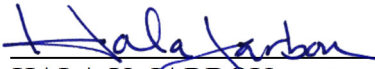
4. Fitzpatrick is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistribution via internet-based databases;
5. This exemption is valid from March 5, 2026, through March 5, 2027.

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: April 22, 2026



HALA Y. JARBOU
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE