

Court of Appeals, State of Michigan

ORDER

Wayne Earl LaFountain v Department of Corrections

Docket No. **326084**

LC No. **13-012734-AH**

Christopher M. Murray, Chief Judge Pro Tem, acting under MCR 7.211(E)(2), orders:

The motion to waive fees pursuant to MCR 7.202(4) and MCR 7.206(D)(1)(d) is DENIED because MCL 600.2963 mandates that a prisoner pursuing a civil action be liable for the filing fees. MCL 600.2963 applies to any civil action filed as a plaintiff by a prisoner of the Department of Corrections, MCL 600.2963(1), not only to an action regarding prison conditions. Plaintiff is not required to pay an initial partial fee. MCL 600.2963(7). However, for this complaint to be filed, **plaintiff shall submit a copy of this order and refile the pleadings within 21 days of the certification of this order.** By doing this, plaintiff becomes responsible for paying the \$375 filing fee and may not file another new civil appeal or original action in this Court until such time that either the Department of Corrections remits or plaintiff pays the entire outstanding balance due. MCL 600.2963(8). Failure to comply with this order shall result in the complaint not being filed in this Court and plaintiff not being responsible for paying the filing fee.

If plaintiff timely refiles the pleadings, monthly payments shall be made to the Department of Corrections in an amount of 50 percent of the deposits made to plaintiff's account until the payments equal the balance due of **\$375**. This amount shall then be remitted to this Court. Again, plaintiff may not file either a new civil appeal or an original action until plaintiff pays the entire outstanding balance due. MCL 600.2963(8).

The Clerk of this Court shall furnish two copies of this order to plaintiff and return plaintiff's pleadings with this order.



A true copy entered and certified by Jerome W. Zimmer Jr., Chief Clerk, on

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Date

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jerome W. Zimmer Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

Chief Clerk