

IN THE MICHIGAN COURT OF APPEALS

ORDER

Re: **American Church Mortgage v Faith Christian Ministry**

Docket No. **303558**

L.C. No. **10-013829-AV**

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

The motion to waive fees is DISMISSED because only a natural person is eligible for the waiver of fees and costs under MCR 2.002(A). Appellant is corporation and Eugene Matthews, who signed the motion to waive fees, was a not party to the matter below. See also MCR 2.002(B) and (D). Appellant shall pay to the Clerk of the Court, within 21 days of the certification of this order, the entry fee of \$375 and the motion fee(s) of \$300, for a total of \$675. Failure to comply with this order will result in the dismissal of the appeal and/or the motions.

Furthermore, MCR 7.205(B)(1) requires that one copy of the application must be "signed." A corporation may appear only through an attorney. *Detroit Bar Ass'n v Union Guardian Trust Co*, 282 Mich 707, 711; 281 NW 432 (1938); *Peters Production Inc v Desnick Broadcasting Co*, 171 Mich App 283, 287; 429 NW2d 654 (1988). Therefore, appellant shall also file an amended application and motions signed by an attorney within 21 days or the appeal will be subject to dismissal for failure to pursue the case in conformity with the rules. See MCR 7.201(B)(3) and MCR 7.216(A)(10).



A true copy entered and certified by Larry S. Royster, Chief Clerk, on

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Date

Handwritten signature of Larry S. Royster in black ink.

Chief Clerk