UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-108

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EXEMPTION OF FEES TO ACCESS PACER FOR RYAN HUBERT

IN RE:

The United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida maintains case information online with the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) website. The Court desires to encourage the public's use of the database, continue to promote public access, and avoid unreasonable burdens on both users and court staff in retrieving data.

The Court finds that Ryan Hubert, as an individual researcher associated with an educational institution, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Mr. Hubert has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Therefore, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Ryan Hubert is 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 his research regarding judicial decision making and civil procedure. Specifically, he intends to review how plaintiffs and defendants use motions to proceed through various case types and how motion practice differs from court to court. He requires access to a random sample of civil cases from which he will access the docket sheets and motions. He anticipates needing approximately 20 cases per district. Mr. Hubert is not 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 Ryan Hubert 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, Mr. Hubert agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;

4. Mr. Hubert is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistribution via internet-based databases; and

5. this exemption is valid from December 19, 2022, through December 16, 2023.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. The Clerk of

Court for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida shall provide the

PACER Service Center with any detailed information the Center may require to implement this

Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida, this 20th day of December 2022.

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CECILIA M. ALTONAGA CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

 c: Angela E. Noble, Court Administrator · Clerk of Court Todd McGhie, Chief Deputy Clerk · Administration PACER Service Center Michelle Gardner, Attorney Advisor, Multi-Court Exemptions, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts