## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2023-51**

IN RE:

## EXEMPTION OF FEES TO ACCESS PACER FOR ALEXANDER ZENTEFIS

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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.

Alexander Zentefis, 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. Zentefis has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Therefore, it is

**ORDERED** that Alexander Zentefis 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 his research studying linguistic patterns used among prosecutors, defense attorneys, and defendants that have the most influence in predicting a federal criminal sentence. According to Mr. Zentefis, the only documents he requires to meet the needs of the research project are court docket reports, sentencing memoranda and sentencing transcripts. Mr. Zentefis 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 Alexander Zentefis 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, Alexander Zentefis agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;

4. Mr. Zentefis 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 retroactively from July 27, 2023, through July 27, 2024.

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 15th day of August, 2023.

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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