

**U.S. District Court
Southern District of Florida (Ft Lauderdale)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 0:24-cv-61972-JEM**

TSA,LLC v. Lewis
Assigned to: Judge Jose E. Martinez
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Alicia O. Valle
Related - not spread Case: [0:25-cv-60080-RS](#)
Cause: 28:2201 Declaratory Judgment

Date Filed: 10/22/2024
Jury Demand: Defendant
Nature of Suit: 370 Other Fraud
Jurisdiction: Diversity

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/24/2025	42	OMNIBUS ORDER ON PENDING MOTIONS: 11 Defendant Lewis' Application to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs is GRANTED ; 18 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Seaman to Proceed Without Prepaying Costs pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1916 and 46 U.S.C. § 2114 is DENIED AS MOOT ; 19 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Leave to Amend Counterclaim is GRANTED ; 16 Plaintiff TSA's Motion to Dismiss Defendant's Counterclaims is DENIED AS MOOT ; 22 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Sanctions is DENIED ; 31 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings is DENIED ; 37 TSA's Motion to Strike is GRANTED ; 32 Defendant Lewis' Memorandum of Law Opposing Captain Stephen P. Pattee's September 5, 2024, Affidavit (construed as a Motion to Strike) is DENIED ; 33 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Order to Show Cause is DENIED ; 10 Defendant Lewis' Motion for Referral to the VAP is GRANTED . Signed by Magistrate Judge Alicia O. Valle on 6/24/2025. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (sd01) (Entered: 06/24/2025)
05/23/2025	41	Second Notice of Supplemental Authority In Support of 22 MOTION for Sanctions by Bert Damian Lewis. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A) (ebz) (Entered: 05/27/2025)
05/19/2025	40	Notice of Supplemental Authority In Support of Motion re 22 MOTION for Sanctions by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 05/20/2025)
05/19/2025	39	Notice of Right to Amend as of Course by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 05/20/2025)
05/19/2025	38	U.S. Seaman Bert Damian Lewis' Reply In Support of May 2, 2025 Motions and Memorandum re 31 MOTION for Judgment on the Pleadings, 33 MOTION for Order to Show Cause, 34 RESPONSE in Opposition, 36 MEMORANDUM in Opposition, 37 MEMORANDUM in Opposition filed by Bert Damian Lewis. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit)(ebz) (Entered: 05/20/2025)
05/16/2025	37	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re 30 Affidavit in Support of Motion by TSA,LLC. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 05/16/2025)
05/16/2025	36	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re 33 MOTION for Order to Show Cause by TSA,LLC. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 05/16/2025)

05/16/2025	35	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re 32 Memorandum <i>Of Law Opposing Captain Stephen P. Patee's September 5, 2024 Affidavit</i> by TSA,LLC. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 05/16/2025)
05/16/2025	34	RESPONSE in Opposition re 31 MOTION for Judgment on the Pleadings filed by TSA,LLC. Replies due by 5/23/2025. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 05/16/2025)
05/02/2025	33	DEFENDANT BERT DAMIAN LEWIS' MOTION for Order to Show Cause by Bert Damian Lewis. (cwc) (Entered: 05/05/2025)
05/02/2025	32	BERT DAMIAN LEWIS' MEMORANDUM OF LAW OPPOSING CAPTAIN STEPHEN P. PATTEE'S SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 AFFIDAVIT by Bert Damian Lewis. (cwc) (Entered: 05/05/2025)
05/02/2025	31	DEFENDANT'S MOTION for Judgment on the Pleadings by Bert Damian Lewis. (cwc) (Entered: 05/05/2025)
05/02/2025	30	DEFENDANT BERT DAMIAN LEWIS' UNSWORN STATEMENT UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY IN SUPPORT OF DE 22 MOTION for Sanctions filed by Bert Damian Lewis. (cwc) (Entered: 05/05/2025)
05/02/2025	29	REPLY to DE 26 Response in Opposition to Motion for Sanctions by Bert Damian Lewis. (cwc) (Entered: 05/05/2025)
05/02/2025	28	Clerk's Notice to Filer re 26 Response in Opposition to Motion. Wrong Event Selected ; ERROR - The Filer selected the wrong event. The document was re-docketed by the Clerk, see [de#27]. It is not necessary to refile this document. (ls) (Entered: 05/02/2025)
05/01/2025	27	MEMORANDUM in Opposition re 22 MOTION for Sanctions by TSA,LLC. (ls) (See Image DE #26) (Entered: 05/02/2025)
05/01/2025	26	RESPONSE in Opposition re 22 MOTION for Sanctions filed by TSA,LLC. Replies due by 5/8/2025. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 05/01/2025)
04/17/2025	25	CASE REFERRED to the Honorable Alicia O. Valle, United States Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 636(b) and the Magistrate Rules of the Local Rules of the Southern District of Florida for a ruling on all pre-trial, non-dispositive matters, and for a Report and Recommendation on all dispositive matters, including any pending motion. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 4/17/2025. (knu) (Entered: 04/17/2025)
04/17/2025	24	NOTICE of Change of Address/Contact Information; by Bert Damian Lewis. (Address Updated) (ebz) (Entered: 04/17/2025)
04/17/2025	23	NOTICE of Filing re 22 MOTION for Sanctions by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 04/17/2025)
04/17/2025	22	MOTION for Sanctions and Memorandum of Law in Support by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 04/17/2025)
02/18/2025	21	REPLY TO MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND COUNTERCLAIM re DE 20 Response in Opposition to Motion by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 02/18/2025)
02/14/2025	20	RESPONSE in Opposition re 19 MOTION to Amend/Correct 15 Answer to Complaint, Counterclaim filed by TSA,LLC. Replies due by 2/21/2025. (Knoblock,

		Zachary) (Entered: 02/14/2025)
02/03/2025	19	MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND COUNTERCLAIM 15 Answer to Complaint, Counterclaim by Bert Damian Lewis. Responses due by 2/18/2025. (Attachments: # 1 Amended Counterclaim)(ebz) (Entered: 02/04/2025)
02/03/2025	18	MOTION FOR U.S. SEAMAN TO PROCEED WITHOUT PREPAYING COSTS by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 02/04/2025)
01/21/2025	17	Notice Of Pendency Of Other Actions by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 01/22/2025)
01/21/2025	16	Plaintiff's MOTION TO DISMISS 15 Answer to Complaint, Counterclaim FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM by TSA,LLC. Responses due by 2/4/2025. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 01/21/2025)
12/31/2024	15	Defendant's ANSWER and Affirmative Defenses to Complaint with Jury Demand, COUNTERCLAIM against TSA,LLC by Bert Damian Lewis. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A, # 2 Exhibit B, # 3 Exhibit C, # 4 Exhibit D)(ar24) (Entered: 01/02/2025)
12/16/2024	14	SUMMONS (Affidavit) Returned Executed on 1 Complaint, with a 21 day response/answer filing deadline pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 by TSA,LLC. Bert Damian Lewis Date served 12/13/2024, Date answer due 1/2/2025. (Knoblock, Zachary) Modified text on 12/16/2024 (ebz). (Entered: 12/16/2024)
12/13/2024	13	PAPERLESS ORDER granting 12 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice, Consent to Designation, and Request to Electronically Receive Notices of Electronic Filing for Attorney Brian P. Nally. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 12/13/2024. (knu) (Entered: 12/13/2024)
12/11/2024	12	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice, Consent to Designation, and Request to Electronically Receive Notices of Electronic Filing for Brian P. Nally. Filing Fee \$ 250.00 Receipt # AFLSDC-18046053 by TSA,LLC. Responses due by 12/26/2024. (Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 12/11/2024)
12/04/2024	11	MOTION for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/04/2024	10	MOTION for Referral to Volunteer Attorney Program by Bert Damian Lewis. (ebz) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
11/22/2024	9	ORDER ON MOTION FOR REFERRAL TO VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY PROGRAM re 7 Motion for Referral to Volunteer Attorney Program, is DENIED without prejudice. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 11/21/2024. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (ebz) (Entered: 11/22/2024)
11/20/2024	8	Consent by Pro Se Litigant (Non-Prisoner) Bert Damian Lewis to receive Notices of Electronic Filing at email address: chefdamianlewis@gmail.com (ar24) (Entered: 11/20/2024)
11/20/2024	7	MOTION for Referral to Volunteer Attorney Program by Bert Damian Lewis. (ar24) (Entered: 11/20/2024)
10/31/2024	6	PAPERLESS ORDER regarding 5 Defendant's 10-30-24 email to the Court. As an initial matter, the Court notes that one of the many attachments to the email, titled "Engagement.pages," was not provided in a format that can be opened by the Court, and therefore could not be included in ECF No. 5 . Although Defendant appears to be

		proceeding <i>pro se</i> , he remains subject to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and this Court's Local Rules. <i>See Murray v. Archer</i> , No. 22-13155, 2023 WL 6381523, at *2, (11th Cir. Oct. 2, 2023) ("Although we construe <i>pro se</i> complaints liberally, we nevertheless require that <i>pro se</i> litigants adhere to the same governing rules and procedures as litigants represented by attorneys.") (citing <i>Albra v. Advan, Inc.</i> , 490 F.3d 826, 829 (11th Cir. 2007)). Defendant is instructed that any further communications with this Court must be limited to properly filed motions that clearly specify the precise relief sought and the legal bases for granting such relief. Any documents provided in connection with such motions must be filed as exhibits and must be clearly related to the motion and necessary for the Court's resolution of the motion. These submissions must be mailed or otherwise delivered to the Clerk's office to be uploaded to the docket. If Defendant continues to email the Court as a means of seeking redress which should be sought via a formal filing, <u>the Court will impose proper sanctions</u> . Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 10/31/2024. (knu) (Entered: 10/31/2024)
10/31/2024	<u>5</u>	Letter by Bert Damian Lewis. (Address Updated) (ebz) Modified text per chambers to reflect filing on 10/31/2024 (mf). (Entered: 10/31/2024)
10/22/2024	<u>4</u>	Bar Letter re: Admissions sent to attorney Brian P. Nally, mailing date October 22, 2024, (pt) (Entered: 10/22/2024)
10/22/2024	<u>3</u>	Summons Issued as to Bert Damian Lewis. (nan) (Entered: 10/22/2024)
10/22/2024	2	Clerks Notice of Judge Assignment to Judge Jose E. Martinez. Pursuant to 28 USC 636(c), the parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Magistrate Judge Alicia O. Valle is available to handle any or all proceedings in this case. If agreed, parties should complete and file the Consent form found on our website. It is not necessary to file a document indicating lack of consent. (nan) (Entered: 10/22/2024)
10/22/2024	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against Bert Damian Lewis. Filing fees \$ 405.00 receipt number AFLSDC-17925180, filed by TSA,LLC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summon(s), # <u>3</u> Exhibit Exhibit A, # <u>4</u> Exhibit Exhibit B, # <u>5</u> Exhibit Exhibit C, # <u>6</u> Exhibit Exhibit D, # <u>7</u> Exhibit Exhibit E, # <u>8</u> Exhibit Exhibit F, # <u>9</u> Exhibit Exhibit G, # <u>10</u> Exhibit Exhibit H, # <u>11</u> Exhibit Exhibit I)(Knoblock, Zachary) (Entered: 10/22/2024)