

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE  
CHICAGO 60604

ELBERT A. WAGNER, JR.  
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25 May 1970

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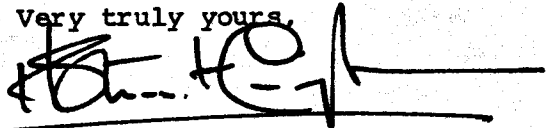
Mr. Harold Weisberg  
Coq d'Or Press  
Route 8  
Frederick, Maryland 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in response to your letter of 18 May 1970. I am enclosing a list of bonding companies authorized to write surety bonds within this District.

If you are going to represent yourself Rule 7 does not apply to you. Should you retain counsel, however, it will be necessary for you to designate local counsel for the purpose of service. In regards to the designation slip, the copyright category would refer to cases where the plaintiff is attempting to gain relief from alleged misuse by defendant of the property copyrighted by plaintiff. The general civil category includes any case not specifically falling into any of the other categories. I am enclosing a copy of Section 1915 of Title 28 of the United States Code together with a copy of form 4 provided by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. I hope these will be of some help to you in determining whether or not you wish to file your suit in forma pauperis. We will retain your complaint until we receive specific instructions from you regarding filing.

Very truly yours,



H. Stuart Cunningham,  
Chief Deputy Clerk

HSC:jh  
Enclosures

**Form 2 RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE**

**Notice of Appeal**

Notice is hereby given that A. B. hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the ..... Circuit from [that part of] the decision of this court entered in the above captioned proceeding on the ..... day of ....., 19... [relating to .....].

(S) .....

.....  
(Address)  
Counsel for A. B.

**Form 3.**

**PETITION FOR REVIEW OF ORDER OF AN AGENCY,  
BOARD, COMMISSION OR OFFICER**

United States Court of Appeals for the ..... Circuit

A. B, Petitioner }  
v. } Petition for Review  
XYZ Commission, }  
Respondent }

A. B. hereby petitions the court for review of the Order of the XYZ Commission (describe the order) entered on ....., 19....

.....  
Attorney for Petitioner  
Address:

**Form 4.**

**AFFIDAVIT TO ACCOMPANY MOTION FOR LEAVE  
TO APPEAL IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

United States District Court for the ..... District  
of .....

United States of America }  
v. } No. ....  
A. B. }

PROPERTY

the plan when it is desired by the reviewing panel. The District  
Attorney shall notify the panel, the Administrative Office of the

APPENDIX OF FORMS

Form 4

Affidavit in Support of Motion to Proceed on Appeal  
in Forma Pauperis

I, ..... being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am the ....., in the above-entitled case; that in support of my motion to proceed on appeal without being required to prepay fees, costs or give security therefor, I state that because of my poverty I am unable to pay the costs of said proceeding or to give security therefor; that I believe I am entitled to redress; and that the issues which I desire to present on appeal are the following:

I further swear that the responses which I have made to the questions and instructions below relating to my ability to pay the cost of prosecuting the appeal are true.

1. Are you presently employed?
  - a. If the answer is yes, state the amount of your salary or wages per month and give the name and address of your employer.
  - b. If the answer is no, state the date of your last employment and the amount of the salary and wages per month which you received.
2. Have you received within the past twelve months any income from a business, profession or other form of self-employment, or in the form of rent payments, interest, dividends, or other source?
  - a. If the answer is yes, describe each source of income, and state the amount received from each during the past twelve months.
3. Do you own any cash or checking or savings account?
  - a. If the answer is yes, state the total value of the items owned.
4. Do you own any real estate, stocks, bonds, notes, automobiles, or other valuable property (excluding ordinary household furnishings and clothing)?
  - a. If the answer is yes, describe the property and state its approximate value.
5. List the persons who are dependent upon you for support and state your relationship to those persons.

FORM 4

(b) In any civil or criminal case the court may, upon the filing of a like affidavit, direct that the expense of printing the record on appeal, if such printing is required by the appellate court, be paid by the United States, and the same shall be paid when authorized by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.

(c) The officers of the court shall issue and serve all process, and perform all duties in such cases. Witnesses shall attend as in other cases, and the same remedies shall be available as are provided for by law in other cases.

(d) The court may request an attorney to represent any such person unable to employ counsel and may dismiss the case if the allegation of poverty is untrue, or if satisfied that the action is frivolous or malicious.

(e) Judgment may be rendered for costs at the conclusion of the suit or action as in other cases, but the United States shall not be liable for any of the costs thus incurred. If the United States has paid the cost of a stenographic transcript or printed record for the prevailing party, the same shall be taxed in favor of the United States. As amended May 24, 1949, c. 139, § 98, 63 Stat. 104; Oct. 31, 1951, c. 655, § 51(b, c), 65 Stat. 727; Sept. 21, 1959, Pub.L. 86-320, 73 Stat. 590.

#### § 1916. Seamen's suits

In all courts of the United States, seamen may institute and prosecute suits and appeals in their own names and for their own benefit for wages or salvage or the enforcement of laws enacted for their health or safety without prepaying fees or costs or furnishing security therefor.

#### § 1917. District courts; fee on filing notice of or petition for appeal

Upon the filing of any separate or joint notice of appeal or application for appeal or upon the receipt of any order allowing, or notice of the allowance of, an appeal or of a writ of certiorari \$5 shall be paid to the clerk of the district court, by the appellant or petitioner.

#### § 1918. District courts; fines, forfeitures and criminal proceedings

(a) Costs shall be included in any judgment, order, or decree rendered against any person for the violation of an Act of Congress in which a civil fine or forfeiture of property is provided for.

(b) Whenever any conviction for any offense not capital is obtained in a district court, the court may order that the defendant pay the costs of prosecution.

#### § 1919. District courts; dismissal for lack of jurisdiction

Whenever any action or suit is dismissed in any district court for want of jurisdiction, such court may order the payment of just costs.

## Sec.

- 1924. Verification of bill of costs.
- 1925. Admiralty and maritime cases.
- 1926. Court of Customs and Patent Appeals.
- 1927. Counsel's liability for excessive costs.
- 1928. Patent infringement action; disclaimer not filed.
- 1929. Extraordinary expenses not expressly authorized.

## § 1911. Supreme Court

The Supreme Court may fix the fees to be charged by its clerk.

The fees of the clerk, cost of serving process, and other necessary disbursements incidental to any case before the court, may be taxed against the litigants as the court directs.

## § 1912. Damages and costs on affirmance

Where a judgment is affirmed by the Supreme Court or a court of appeals, the court in its discretion may adjudge to the prevailing party just damages for his delay, and single or double costs.

## § 1913. Courts of appeals

The fees and costs to be charged and collected in each court of appeals shall be prescribed from time to time by the Judicial Conference of the United States. Such fees and costs shall be reasonable and uniform in all the circuits.

## § 1914. District court; filing and miscellaneous fees; rules of court

(a) The clerk of each district court shall require the parties instituting any civil action, suit or proceeding in such court, whether by original process, removal or otherwise, to pay a filing fee of \$15, except that on application for a writ of habeas corpus the filing fee shall be \$5.

(b) The clerk shall collect from the parties such additional fees only as are prescribed by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

(c) Each district court by rule or standing order may require advance payment of fees.

(d) This section shall not apply to the District of Columbia.

## § 1915. Proceedings in forma pauperis

(a) Any court of the United States may authorize the commencement, prosecution or defense of any suit, action or proceeding, civil or criminal, or appeal therein, without prepayment of fees and costs or security therefor, by a person who makes affidavit that he is unable to pay such costs or give security therefor. Such affidavit shall state the nature of the action, defense or appeal and affiant's belief that he is entitled to redress.

An appeal may not be taken in forma pauperis if the trial court certifies in writing that it is not taken in good faith.

LIST OF SURETY COMPANIES ACCEPTABLE ON FEDERAL BONDS FOR YEAR  
 ENDING JUNE 30, 1970 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS . . . . .

AETNA INSURANCE COMPANY	HARTFORD, CONN.
THE AETNA CASUALTY & SURETY COMPANY	HARTFORD, CONN.
ALLEGHENY MUTUAL CASUALTY COMPANY	MEADVILLE, PA.
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING	CHICAGO, ILL.
AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY	NEWARK, N.J.
BANKERS & SHIPPERS INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
BOSTON OLD COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK	NEW YORK, N.Y.
CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY	CHICAGO, ILL.
CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
FIDELITY AND CASUALTY COMPANY OF NEW YORK	NEW YORK, N.Y.
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND	BALTIMORE, MD.
FIREMEN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY	SAN FRAN, CALIF.
FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK	NEWARK, N.J.
GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA	SEATTLE, WASH.
GLENS FALLS INSURANCE COMPANY	GLENS FALLS, N.Y.
GLOBE INDEMNITY COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
HARTFORD ACCIDENT AND INDEMNITY COMPANY	INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
THE HOME INDEMNITY COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA	PHILADELPHIA, PA.
MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY	BALTIMORE, MD.
NATIONAL BEN FRANKLIN INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION	NEW YORK, N.Y.
NEWARK INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
PHOENIX ASSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK	NEW YORK, N.Y.
PLANET INSURANCE COMPANY	PHILADELPHIA, PA.
QUEEN INSURANCE OF AMERICA	NEW YORK, N.Y.
RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY	PHILADELPHIA, PA.
ROYAL INDEMNITY COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
SAFEGUARD INSURANCE COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
ST. PAUL FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY	ST. PAUL, MINN.
SEABOARD SURETY COMPANY	NEW YORK, N.Y.
SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD	HARTFORD, CONN.
THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY	HARTFORD, CONN.
UNITED BONDING INSURANCE COMPANY	INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY	BALTIMORE, MD.
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY	STOUC FALLS, S.DAK.
INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY