

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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PATRICK KEANEY
Clerk, U.S. District Court

Deputy Clerk

IN RE: THE APPLICATION FOR)
EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC)
PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY MADISON SHANKS)

G.O. 22-2

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This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Madison Shanks (Account #6995837) for exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts.

The Court finds that Madison Shanks, a PhD candidate at the University of South Carolina studying political science, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Madison Shanks has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Madison Shanks shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, to the extent such access concerns her research on the roles attorneys play in district judges' decision making throughout a criminal trial. Specifically, Madison Shanks requires access to obtain the names of attorneys in those cases. Madison Shanks shall not be 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 Madison Shanks 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 Madison Shanks agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
4. Madison Shanks 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 until December 31, 2022.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the PACER Service Center at pacer@psc.uscourts.gov and to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts at Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov.

Dated this 19th day of January, 2022.



Ronald A. White
Chief Judge
United States District Court
Eastern District of Oklahoma