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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE: THE APPLICATION FOR)
EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC) General Order No. 22-20
PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY KENTA TSUDA)


This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Kenta Tsuda (PACER Account No. 7142205) 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 Mr. Tsuda, a graduate research student at the University College London’s Faculty of Laws, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Mr. Tsuda has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Mr. Tsuda 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 his research into the development of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 *et seq*) regime in the United States. Mr. Tsuda’s research will consist of compiling publicly available data from NEPA litigants and associated administrative records. Mr. Tsuda 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 Mr. Tsuda 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. Tsuda agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
4. Mr. Tsuda 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 July 31, 2024.

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.

SO ORDERED this 28th day of November 2022.



Ronald A. White
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE