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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE: THE APPLICATION FOR )  
EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC ) General Order No. 23-02  
PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY SUDHA MANI )

This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Sudha Mani (PACER Account No. 3524811) 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. Mani, a Senior Lecturer, and Ph.D. Program Director at Monash University, Australia, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Mr. Mani has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Mr. Mani 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 to examine how franchisor-franchisee litigation affects franchisor performance. Mr. Mani 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. Mani 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. Mani agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
4. Mr. Mani 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 February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

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](mailto:pacer@psc.uscourts.gov) and to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts at [Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov](mailto:Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov).

SO ORDERED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2023.

*Ronald A. White*

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Ronald A. White  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE