UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

IN RE: EXEMPTION FROM
THE ELECTRONIC PACER
PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY   Administrative Order
BRIAN R. JOHNSON   No.   17-MS-019
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

This matter is before the court upon the application and request by Brian R. Johnson,

Grand Valley State University, for the exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public

Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts. A copy of

the request is attached to this Administrative Order.

This court finds that Brian R. Johnson, an individual researcher associated with an

educational institution, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible

for a fee exemption. Additionally, Brian R. Johnson has demonstrated that an exemption is

necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

Accordingly, Brian R. Johnson shall be exempt from the payment of the fees for access via

PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this court, to the extent such use is incurred in

the course of educational research. He 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 Brian R. Johnson and is valid only for the

           purposes stated above and recited in the request;

   2.   This fee exemption applied only to the electronic case files of this court that are
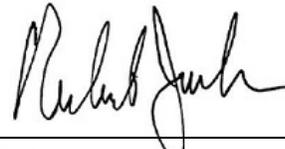
available through the PACER system;

3.   By accepting this exemption, Brian R. Johnson agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;

4.   This exemption is valid commencing January 18, 2017 and ending January 18, 2018.

This order 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.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 25, 2017

ROBERT J. JONKER
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE