United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

ORDER
General Docket No. 2023-13

IN RE:

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC ACCESS FEES BY JAKOB BROUNSTEIN

This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Jakob Brounstein 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 Jakob Brounstein, an individual researcher associated with the University of California at Berkeley, falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Additionally, Brounstein has demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Brounstein shall be exempt from the payment of 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 research into estimating the correlation between litigation measures and tax loss. Brounstein 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:

I.   this fee exemption applies only to Brounstein, and is valid only for the purposes stated above;

II.   this fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this court that are available through the PACER system;

III. by accepting this exemption, Brounstein agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;

IV.   Brounstein is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistribution via internet-based databases;

V.   this exemption is valid until December 31, 2026.

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.

Dated this 27th day of October 2023.

LYLE W. CAYCE
Clerk of Court

BY DIRECTION