

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JO ANN JACKSON,  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
THE HONORABLE SHIRLEY B.  
PARRAGUIRRE, CLARK COUNTY  
CLERK,  
Respondent.

No. 43367

**FILED**

JUL 22 2004

JANETTE M. BLOOR  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY *J. Richards*  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

ORDER DENYING PETITION

This original proper person petition challenges the Clark County Clerk's refusal to photocopy documents for the petitioner.

Petitioner Jo Ann Jackson argues that her in forma pauperis status requires the Clark County Clerk to photocopy Jackson's "notice of motion and motion to supplement complaints" free of charge. The plain language of the order and NRS 12.015 do not support Jackson's argument.<sup>1</sup> Rather, in forma pauperis status entitles an indigent party to

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<sup>1</sup>NRS 12.015 states in pertinent part:

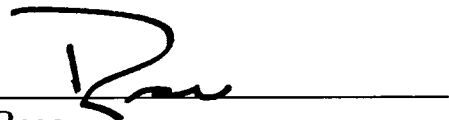
1. Any person who desires to prosecute or defend a civil action may file an affidavit with the court setting forth with particularity facts concerning his income, property and other resources which establish that he is unable to prosecute or defend the action because he is unable to pay the costs of so doing. If the judge is satisfied that the person is unable to pay the costs, he shall order:

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commence or defend an action without paying initial filing fees and other court related costs. It does not require the county clerk's help in preparing and prosecuting the party's case. In addition, Jackson points to no authority that supports the proposition that in forma pauperis status entitles her to photocopies at the expense of the state or county. Accordingly, we deny the petition.<sup>2</sup>

It is so ORDERED.

 C.J.  
Shearing

 J.  
Rose

 J.  
Maupin

cc: Hon. David Wall, District Judge  
Clark County District Attorney David J. Roger  
Jo Ann Jackson  
Clark County Clerk

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(a) The clerk of the court:

(1) To allow the person to commence or defend the action without costs; and

(2) To file or issue any necessary writ, process, pleading or paper without charge.

<sup>2</sup>NRAP 21(b); Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 818 P.2d 849 (1991).