

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
for the
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
Springfield Division

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7/9/2026
CLERK OF THE COURT
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

LUKE A. THOMAS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

HOLLY J. HENZE, in her official capacity only;
JERRY J. HOOKER, in his official capacity only;
DEVRON OHRN, in his official and individual
capacities;
JUSTIN OLIVER, in his official and individual
capacities;
GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS, in her official and
Individual capacities;
GEORGEANNE OSMER, individually;
JOHN D. OSMER, individually;
CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
MENARD COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS;
JOHN DOES 1–10, individually and in their official
capacities (as applicable)

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 26-CV-0319

NOTICE OF FILING -
SUPPLEMENTAL EXHIBITS

NOTICE OF FILING-SUPPLEMENTAL EXHIBITS

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, Luke Thomas, pro se, and hereby files the following
supplemental exhibits in support of his pending Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and his
Complaint:

1. Exhibit M1: Improper Coordination and Monitoring (Forensic IP Analytics Summary);
2. Exhibit C1: Systemic Conflict - Use of County Funds;
3. Exhibit C2: Conflict - Evidence Sought;

4. Exhibit D1: Economic Deprivation and Coordination of Dockets;
5. Group Exhibit D2: Trial Length and Imbalance of Resources;

Plaintiff submits these exhibits to further establish the systemic nature of the violations alleged in this matter, including documented instances of extra-judicial monitoring and the coordinated economic deprivation of t

Each exhibit has been redacted in accordance with Local Rule 5.11 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2.

Dated: July 9, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Luke A. Thomas

LUKE A. THOMAS
PLAINTIFF, pro se
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Phone: 507-910-1605
Illinois ARDC No.: 6278591

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 9th day of July, 2026, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois using the CM/ECF system.

I further certify that I have served the following parties with the foregoing document via email as indicated below:

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Exhibit M1: Improper Coordination and Monitoring
(Forensic IP Analytics Summary)

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003-011 Ip Records

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Overview Plaintiff's Exhibit M1 Cover and Summary

Forensic IP analytics from the Plaintiff's unadvertised, professional website which as been incomplete while under development(www.lukeathomas.com) reveal a clear, ongoing pattern of extra-judicial monitoring. This monitoring is not random; it consistently correlates with critical litigation milestones, sensitive filings, and procedural reassignments. The data demonstrates a coordinated effort between the private Defendants (Gwendolyn Thomas/familial network) and the Eighth Judicial Circuit leadership to monitor the Plaintiff's digital footprint outside of the formal court record.

1. State-Sponsored & Circuit-Wide Surveillance

- **The Petersburg Hit (Illinois Century Network):** A visit originated from the ICN network—the state-exclusive broadband infrastructure—in Petersburg, IL. Given that Defendant Gwendolyn Thomas serves as the Menard County State's Attorney (seated in Petersburg), this serves as forensic evidence that government resources were utilized to monitor the Plaintiff.
- **The Pittsfield Hits (Chief Judge McCartney's Jurisdiction):** Hits originating from Pittsfield consistently precede or coincide with significant procedural shifts, suggesting the Eighth Judicial Circuit's leadership actively monitored the Plaintiff's site during active litigation.

2. The May 18, 2026 Convergence: Forensic Proof of Coordination

- **The Data:** On May 18, 2026, the website recorded simultaneous visits from:
 1. **Beardstown, IL:** The location of the Gwendolyn Thomas familial/private network.
 2. **Pittsfield, IL:** The location of Chief Judge McCartney's jurisdiction.
- **Significance:** The statistical probability of independent, random visitors from these two specific, litigation-relevant locations accessing an unadvertised site on the exact same day is negligible. This convergence provides strong circumstantial evidence of a **coordinated surveillance effort** or an *ex parte* communication channel where one group was alerted to content on the Plaintiff's site and the other immediately confirmed it.

3. Chronology of Surveillance & Litigation Milestones

This forensic timeline demonstrates how the surveillance correlates with the Plaintiff's attempts to protect his Due Process rights:

Date	Website Activity	Procedural / Litigation Context
Aug 18, 2025	Hit from Pittsfield (Chief Judge's location)	The day before Plaintiff filed a motion regarding administrative matters in the Eighth Circuit.

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Date	Website Activity	Procedural / Litigation Context
Nov 10, 2025	Hit from Pittsfield (Chief Judge's location)	Three days after Plaintiff filed a Motion to Substitute Judge Henze for cause.
May 18, 2026	CONVERGENCE: Hits from Beardstown AND Pittsfield	Coordinated monitoring: The private network and the Chief Judge's office both accessed the site on the same day.
June 14, 2026	Hit from Pittsfield (Chief Judge's location)	Two weeks prior to the Plaintiff filing the 148-page Federal Section 1983 Complaint (Case No. 3:26-cv-03219).
July 5-6, 2026	Spikes from Beardstown	Immediately following the filing of the Federal Section 1983 Complaint, as the private network sought intelligence on the federal case fallout.

Conclusion / Legal Application

This IP forensic data is vital evidence for the Plaintiff's Section 1983 claims. It establishes that:

1. **Improper Extra-Judicial Investigation:** Evidence suggests or creates the appearance the Eighth Judicial Circuit leadership (Chief Judge McCartney's jurisdiction) engaged in independent factual investigations of the Plaintiff's personal/professional website while sensitive motions (such as the Motion to Substitute) were pending. This is a direct violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct and the Plaintiff's Due Process rights.
2. **Evidence of Conspiracy:** The convergence of hits from private-party networks (Beardstown) and judicial-leadership networks (Pittsfield) on the same dates demonstrates a level of synchronization that supports the Plaintiff's allegation that private actors and state officials were acting in concert ("under color of state law") to monitor the Plaintiff.
3. **Pattern and Practice:** The persistent correlation between the Plaintiff's filings and these specific IP hits confirms that this was not accidental, but a persistent "pattern and practice" of monitoring designed to gain an unfair tactical advantage in the ongoing litigation.

7/5/2026	Beardstown	24.52.138.225	3	1
7/6/2026	Beardstown	24.52.138.225	3	2
5/5/2026	Beardstown	24.52.138.225	5	1
5/29/2026	Beardstown	24.52.138.225	8	1
5/18/2026	Beardstown	24.52.138.225	16	1
4/28/2026	Beijing	54.223.247.92	1	1
4/10/2026	Beijing	140.179.18.91	1	1
6/1/2026	Champaign	12.174.163.146	1	1
4/29/2026	Champaign	12.174.163.146	1	1
7/2/2026	Chicago	172.59.191.166	1	1
6/18/2026	Chicago	12.132.53.98	2	1
4/28/2026	Chicago	174.253.88.69	1	1
4/15/2026	Chicago	12.246.90.254	1	1
4/29/2026	Chicago	174.228.97.160	1	1
6/17/2026	Chicago	104.28.76.91	1	1
5/21/2026	Chicago	98.97.8.44	2	1
4/27/2026	Chicago	136.226.32.191	1	1
7/2/2026	Cincinnati	199.107.16.126	2	1
5/13/2026	East Peoria	173.15.3.6	1	1
7/1/2026	Elgin	75.145.183.89	1	1
5/4/2026	London	184.171.221.110	1	1
5/24/2026	Middletown	71.175.4.106	2	1
7/7/2026	Mount Sterling	206.71.198.40	1	1
7/7/2026	Mount Sterling	24.52.170.183	1	1
7/2/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	1	1
4/15/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	11	3
4/21/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	1	1
7/1/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	4	2
6/8/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	10	3
6/26/2026	Peoria	98.52.252.17	1	1
7/1/2026	Petersburg	216.125.19.126	1	1
6/28/2026	Petersburg	216.125.19.126	2	1
4/10/2026	Petersburg	216.125.19.126	3	1
5/18/2026	Pittsfield	38.129.149.42	7	1
6/14/2026	Pittsfield	38.129.149.42	1	1
4/21/2026	Santa Rosa Beach	50.82.60.172	7	2
7/2/2026	Tinley Park	73.168.114.100	1	1
6/30/2026	Tulsa	166.196.65.12	1	1
6/30/2026	Vancouver	216.251.143.109	1	1
7/6/2026	Versailles	104.152.199.4	1	1
6/28/2026	Washington	99.127.255.124	1	1
6/10/2026	Woodstock	63.124.68.8	1	1
4/20/2026	Unknown	205.169.39.21	1	1
5/13/2026	Unknown	107.122.97.40	7	1

004	9/11/2025	virginia	Unknown	1
	12/14/2025	St. Charles	Unknown	1
	12/7/2025	St. Charles	Unknown	1
	11/3/2025	Springfield	Unknown	3
	12/10/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	10/28/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	11/4/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	11/24/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	12/2/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	11/9/2025	Springfield	Unknown	1
	12/17/2025	Round Lake	Unknown	1
	8/19/2025	Ronkoma	Unknown	1
	8/5/2025	Princeville	Unknown	1
	12/29/2025	Pleasant Plains	Unknown	1
	11/10/2025	Pittsfield	Unknown	1
	8/18/2025	Pittsfield	Unknown	1
	12/22/2025	Pittsburgh	Unknown	1
	11/14/2025	Petersburg	Unknown	1
	9/10/2025	Petersburg	Unknown	1
	11/19/2025	Petersburg	Unknown	1
	9/10/2025	Petersburg	Unknown	1
	10/17/2025	Peoria	Unknown	1
	11/30/2025	Peoria	Unknown	5
	11/26/2025	Peoria	Unknown	2
	11/27/2025	Peoria	Unknown	3
	11/28/2025	Peoria	Unknown	1
	11/24/2025	Pekin	Unknown	4

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Traffic by Location

Find out where visitors to your site come from. [View report definitions](#)

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Unsaved view

Manage View

Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2026

Group by day

Filter

Customize

Measure: Site sessions



Date	City	IP address	Page views	Unique visitors
Summary			36	19
1/5/2026	Bloomington	73.176.128.231	1	1
3/19/2026	Cardiff	31.121.111.21	1	1
1/7/2026	Chicago	163.191.100.248	1	1
1/11/2026	Chicago	174.239.119.148	1	1
3/22/2026	Chicago	172.58.167.229	1	1
3/20/2026	Chicago	172.59.190.251	1	1
3/23/2026	Elgin	75.145.183.89	4	1
1/2/2026	Kansas City	143.105.245.77	3	1
3/22/2026	Petersburg	216.125.19.126	14	3
3/21/2026	Rye	162.84.155.219	2	1
1/11/2026	Unknown	79.137.138.14	1	1
3/25/2026	Unknown	205.169.39.7	1	1
1/11/2026	Unknown	79.137.151.35	1	1
3/22/2026	Unknown	205.169.39.52	1	1
1/1/2026	Unknown	79.137.143.21	1	1
1/5/2026	Unknown	166.182.84.238	1	1
3/20/2026	Unknown	205.169.39.43	1	1

IP Location via **Criminal IP**

(PRODUCT API REAL-TIME)

 **IP:** 24.52.138.225⁰⁰⁶ **Country:** United States **Country ISO:** US **State:** Illinois **City:** Beardstown **Postal Code:** 62618 **Latitude:** 40.0175 **Longitude:** -90.4243 **ASN:** 10971 **Organization:** Cass Cable TV **ISP:** N/A **VPN:** No **Cloud:** No **Network Scanner:** No **Snort:** No **Hosting:** No **Mobile:** No **Proxy:** No **Tor:** No **Inbound:** Safe **Outbound:** Safe **AS Name:** Cass Cable TV, Inc. [View Map](#)

IP Location via Criminal IP

(PRODUCT API REAL-TIME)

007

**IP:** 206.71.198.40**Country:** United States**Country ISO:** US**State:** Illinois**City:** Mount Sterling**Postal Code:** 62353**Latitude:** 39.9873**Longitude:** -90.7635**ASN:** 12033**Organization:** Adams Telephone**ISP:** N/A**VPN:** No**Cloud:** No**Network Scanner:** No**Snort:** No**Hosting:** No**Mobile:** No**Proxy:** No**Tor:** No**Inbound:** Safe**Outbound:** Safe**AS Name:** Adams TelSystems, Inc.[View Map](#)

IP Location via **Criminal IP**

(PRODUCT API REAL-TIME)

 **IP:** 24.52.170.183⁰⁰⁸ **Country:** United States **Country ISO:** US **State:** Illinois **City:** Mount Sterling **Postal Code:** 62353 **Latitude:** 39.9873 **Longitude:** -90.7635 **ASN:** 10971 **Organization:** Cass Cable TV **ISP:** N/A **VPN:** No **Cloud:** No **Network Scanner:** No **Snort:** No **Hosting:** No **Mobile:** No **Proxy:** No **Tor:** No **Inbound:** Safe **Outbound:** Safe **AS Name:** Cass Cable TV, Inc. [View Map](#)

IP Location via Criminal IP

(PRODUCT API REAL-TIME)

 **IP:** 216.125.19.126⁰⁰⁹ **Country:** United States **Country ISO:** US **State:** Illinois **City:** Petersburg **Postal Code:** 62675 **Latitude:** 40.0109 **Longitude:** -89.8438 **ASN:** 6325 **Organization:** Illinois Century Network **ISP:** N/A **VPN:** No **Cloud:** No **Network Scanner:** No **Snort:** No **Hosting:** No **Mobile:** No **Proxy:** No **Tor:** No **Inbound:** Safe **Outbound:** Safe **AS Name:** Illinois Century Network [View Map](#)

IP Location via Criminal IP

(PRODUCT API REAL-TIME)

010

 **IP:** 38.129.149.42 **Country:** United States **Country ISO:** US **State:** Illinois **City:** Pittsfield **Postal Code:** 62363 **Latitude:** 39.5964 **Longitude:** -90.8132 **ASN:** 10971 **Organization:** Cass Cable TV **ISP:** N/A **VPN:** No **Cloud:** No **Network Scanner:** No **Snort:** No **Hosting:** No **Mobile:** No **Proxy:** No **Tor:** No **Inbound:** Safe **Outbound:** Safe **AS Name:** Cass Cable TV, Inc. [View Map](#)

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1. Exhibit C1: Systemic Conflict - Use of County Funds;

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001	2022DC15 Court Order to Pay Court Ordered Evaluation by Cass County entered by the Honorable Timothy J. Wessel (November 20, 2023)
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUITCASS COUNTY, ILLINOISGwendolyn Thorne

vs.

Plaintiff.

No. 2022-DC-15

ORDER

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Defendant.

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Bradley Galen
Circuit Clerk, Cass County, IL

The Court has received two invoices from Midwest Counseling Center. The Court finds these services are necessary to the Court for the administration of justice. Therefore, the Court order the Cass County Treasurer to pay said invoices within 30 days. The Court reserves the right to order reimbursement to the County for said fees from one or both parties. This order & Exhibits shall be filed under seal.

cc:

Honorable Judge Henge ✓

Pet. ✓

Resp. ✓

GAL ✓

Cass Treasurer ✓

Midwest Counseling Center ✓

Date: 11/20/2023

Kimberly J. Vahl
JUDGE

From

Midwest Counseling Services
1891 Maine St. Suite #5
Quincy, IL 62301



Invoice

Bill To

Attn: Hon. TJ Wessel Cass
100 E Springfield St
Virginia, IL 62691-1322

Invoice

#2644
Issued: 10/09/2023
Due: 11/08/2023

Client

Gwen or Gwendolyn Thomas
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gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com

Provider

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NPI: #1104221076
(217) 224-4080
mvogel@midwestcounselingservices.com

Responsible Party

Attn: Hon. TJ Wessel Cass

Date	Description	Amount
07/01/2023	Forensic - Initial Diagnostic Interview (27)	\$350.00
07/15/2023	Psychological testing, evaluation by a psychologist, first hour (96130)	\$150.00
07/15/2023	Forensic - Follow-Up Diagnostic Interviews (28)	\$150.00
09/08/2023	forensic - attorney consultation (21)	\$50.00
10/08/2023	Forensic - report writing (24)	\$800.00
	Subtotal	1,500.00
	Total	1,500.00
	Amount Paid	0.00
	Balance	\$1,500.00

Make Payments to: Midwest Counseling Services

Please pay upon receipt. Your prompt payment enables me to keep helping people.

"Exhibit A"

From
Midwest Counseling Services
1891 Maine St. Suite #5
Quincy, IL 62301



Invoice

Bill To
Attn: Hon. TJ Wessel Cass
100 E Springfield St
Virginia, IL 62691-1322

Invoice
#2643
Issued: 10/09/2023
Due: 11/08/2023

Client
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Malinda Vogel
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(217) 224-4080
mvogel@midwestcounselingservices.com

Responsible Party
Attn: Hon. TJ Wessel Cass

Date	Description	Amount
08/12/2023	Forensic - Initial Diagnostic Interview (27)	\$350.00
08/26/2023	Psychological testing, evaluation by a psychologist, first hour (96130)	\$150.00
08/26/2023	Forensic - Follow-Up Diagnostic Interviews (28)	\$150.00
08/28/2023	Forensic - Collateral interview (F29)	\$37.50
09/29/2023	Forensic - attorney consultation (21)	\$100.00
09/30/2023	Forensic - Follow-Up Diagnostic Interviews (28)	\$125.00
10/08/2023	Forensic - report writing (24)	\$800.00
Subtotal		1,712.50
Total		1,712.50
Amount Paid		0.00
Balance		\$1,712.50

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"Exhibit B"

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001-007	Chronological Transcription of Emails to/from Malinda Vogel & Luke Thomas
005-007	Purpose Unrelated—Evidence of Text re Kidnapping Sought
008-023	True and Correct Copies of Emails Transcribed in Preparation of Transcription

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CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE

**Between Luke Thomas and Malinda Vogel (Court Appointed Evaluator) Date Range:
July 23, 2023 – September 25, 2023**

Date: Sunday, July 23, 2023 at 5:33 PM

From: Luke Thomas

To: Malinda Vogel

Subject: Evaluation

Message: Good evening, I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to reach out in hopes of setting up my evaluation. I (finally) received my first check from my employment at Mayo and am now in a position to make the trek to Quincy at your convenience. I don't have any accumulated PTO, so I would like to set up a Saturday appointment if you offer them. I would be coming from Rochester after work on Friday and would stay in the area until returning Sunday morning. I suspect I would not be in town until after midnight on Friday/Saturday.

If you have anything late morning or early afternoon, that would work great. I recognize this may be out of your normal office hours, so I can try to make any Saturday you have available work.

Please let me know if you have any questions or instructions. I look forward to meeting and working with you. Sincerely, Luke

Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 at 10:20 AM

From: Malinda Vogel

To: Luke Thomas

Subject: Re: Evaluation

Message: Hi Luke, Would you be available Saturday, August 5 from 11 AM to 1 PM? You don't really need to do anything in particular to prepare. Kind regards, Malinda

Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 at 11:24 AM

From: Luke Thomas

To: Malinda Vogel

Subject: Re: Evaluation

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Message: Hi Malinda, August 5th at 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. would work great. I put the appointment on my calendar. I appreciate you getting back to me so quickly and for accommodating a Saturday appointment. Thanks again, Luke

Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 at 12:55 PM

From: Malinda Vogel

To: Luke Thomas

Subject: Re: Evaluation

Message: Hi Luke, I'm so sorry; but I got my weeks mixed up I actually was thinking August 12. Will the same time still work for you? Kind regards, Malinda

Date: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 8:55 PM

From: Luke Thomas

To: Malinda Vogel

Subject: Luke Thomas Evaluation

Message: Dear Malinda, I hope this finds you doing well. I am writing in regard to the conference/evaluation we scheduled for Saturday, August 12, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. As I understand it, the initial appointment is scheduled for two hours, with the likelihood of one or more additional future appointments following thereafter.

As I originally shared, I accepted a non-legal position with Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota in June and commenced employment on July 3, 2023. Since commencing employment, I was privileged enough to be recruited for a full-time position with Mayo's Nephrology Department, providing support for the Department's 42 physicians and supporting providers in areas of transplant, chronic and end-stage kidney disease, onconeurology, and genetics... While the position is also highly personally rewarding, I accepted it with the understanding it is akin to an entry-level position in terms of salary. Considering my limited time of employment and the limited resources I started with when relocating to the area. As such, I am writing to see if it would be possible to conduct our initial appointment by Zoom or another similar platform.

In budgeting for our appointment, I estimate it will cost in excess of \$400.00 for gas and lodging, together with approximately 12 hours of round-trip driving. I have limited accumulated paid time off... Additionally, I am also trying to save money for the \$1,150.00 fee to receive reciprocal admission to the Minnesota Bar...

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I understand this email could have been written with significantly greater brevity. However, I do not want the importance I place on completing the evaluation and absolving any concerns the Court may have. The welfare of my children and their futures have and remain at the forefront of my priorities. If you feel conducting the initial appointment by video will not work, I understand. If video is possible for the upcoming appointment, please know I remain desirous of conducting any subsequent appointments in-person... I will look forward to your reply. Once again, thank you for your time and help. Luke

Date: Sunday, August 13, 2023 at 5:43 PM

From: Luke Thomas

To: Malinda Vogel

Subject: Attention Deficient Disorder--Inattentive Type

Message: Hi Malinda, I am still in the process of locating the actual evaluation I received from Dr. Trieger. In the interim, I have attached that part of my Springfield Clinic record that adopts the evaluation and recommendations. I will forward you the evaluation upon locating the same. I will also send you a copy of the text message referenced during our recent appointment.

Date: Sunday, August 13, 2023 at 6:07 PM

From: Luke Thomas

To: Malinda Vogel

Subject: Text Messages

Message: Malinda, Attached are the texts I referenced about receiving permission to pick [REDACTED] up. They are in .webp format and should open using Chrome or another browser. These come from my litigation files. I have all call logs and texts leading up to and following the circumstances of that day. I also have videos of when we attempted to retrieve the Citalopram when Gwen arrived after the entry of the OP. I just didn't want to leave you with the impression I cherry-picked self-serving snippets or provide you with additional information you did not request.

I do wish to say I am less worried about the past and plan my focus, whenever possible, on why my proposed plan for my children is the right plan, especially considering the outcome of the past year with my forced limited involvement. In other words, I'm not seeking some sort of personal vindication---my children's futures take priority. Thank again, Luke

Date: Sunday, August 20, 2023 at 10:56 PM

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Evaluation

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Sun, Jul 23, 2023 at 5:33 PM

To: Malinda Vogel <mvogel@midwestcounselingservices.com>

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Re: Evaluation

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Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 12:55 PM

Hi Luke,

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Kind regards,
Malinda

On Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 11:24 AM Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Malinda,

August 5th at 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. would work great. I put the appointment on my calendar. I appreciate you getting back to me so quickly and for accommodating a Saturday appointment.

Thanks again,

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Thu, Aug 10, 2023 at 8:55 PM

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As I originally shared, I accepted a non-legal position with Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota in June and commenced employment on July 3, 2023.

Since commencing employment, I was privileged enough to be recruited for a full-time position with Mayo's Nephrology Department, providing support for the Department's 42 physicians and supporting providers in areas of transplant, chronic and end-stage kidney disease, onconeurology, and genetics. Areas of support include patient care management, scheduling, patient relations, IT support, and interdepartmental coordination. While I still have a vast amount to learn, I foresee significant opportunities for growth and advancement.

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In budgeting for our appointment, I estimate it will cost in excess of \$400.00 for gas and lodging, together with approximately 12 hours of round-trip driving. I have limited accumulated paid time off and, as I only recently learned of events occurring between Gwen, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that may lead to unanticipated court time and/or preparation, I am trying to plan the best I can under all circumstances. Additionally, I am also trying to save money for the \$1,150.00 fee to receive reciprocal admission to the Minnesota Bar, as I believe this will open additional advancement opportunities at Mayo on a more expedited track.

I understand this email could have been written with significantly greater brevity. However, I do not want the importance I place on completing the evaluation and absolving any concerns the Court may have. The welfare of my children and their futures have and remain at the forefront of my priorities. If you feel conducting the initial appointment by video will not work, I understand. If video is possible for the upcoming appointment, please know I remain desirous of conducting any subsequent appointments in-person. I personally prefer face-to-face communication and have only raised the prospect out of present, practical necessity.

I will look forward to your reply. Once again, thank you for your time and help.

Luke



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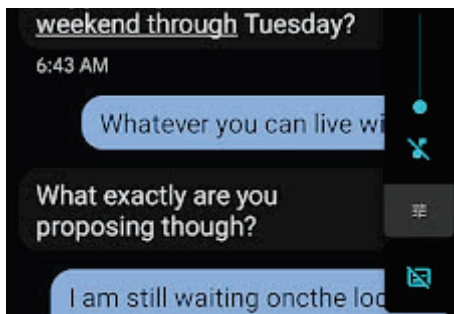
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4 attachments



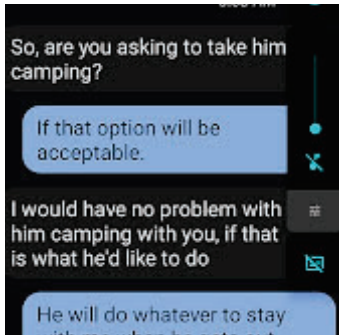
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Luke

3 attachments



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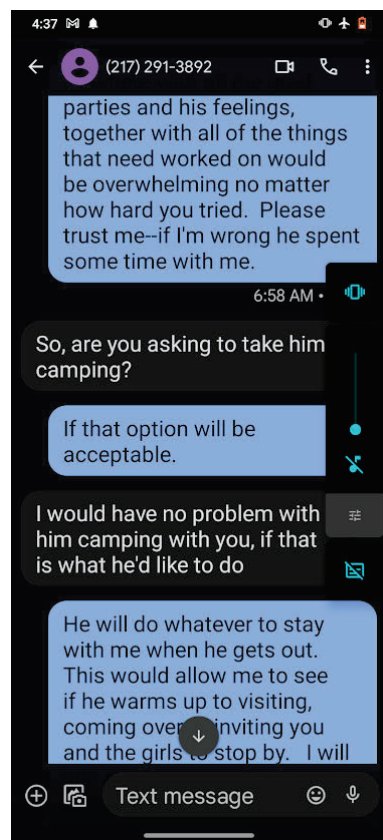
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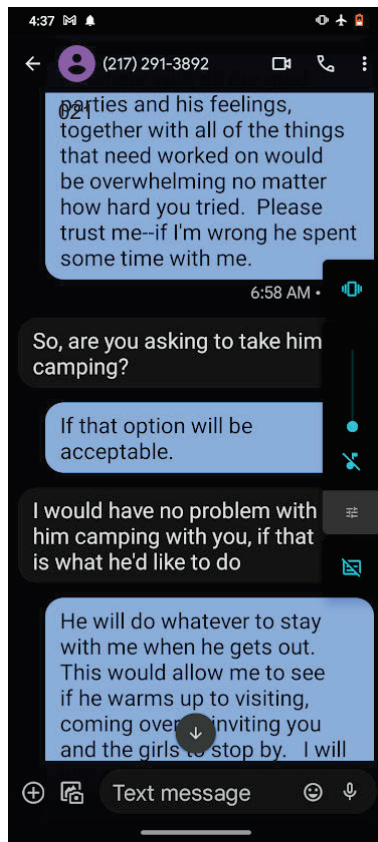
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
for the
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
Springfield Division

LUKE A. THOMAS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

HOLLY J. HENZE, in her official capacity only;
JERRY J. HOOKER, in his official capacity only;
DEVRON OHRN, in his official and individual
capacities;
JUSTIN OLIVER, in his official and individual
capacities;
GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS, in her official and
Individual capacities;
GEORGEANNE OSMER, individually;
JOHN D. OSMER, individually;
CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
MENARD COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS;
JOHN DOES 1–10, individually and in their official
capacities (as applicable)

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 26-CV-0319

NOTICE OF FILING -
SUPPLEMENTAL EXHIBITS

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Judici Docket for Capital One. V. Luke Thomas 2023-SC-19

Date ⁰⁰¹	Personal / Medical Status	Family Court (2022-DC-15)	Small Claims (2023-SC-19)
Feb-Mar 2022; Sept. 2022	Gwendolyn Thomas informs Capital One that Plaintiff is disabled.	<i>Pre-trial proceedings ongoing. Case Commences; Judge Wessel & Tippey recuse themselves</i>	—
Feb 2023	Plaintiff facing severe financial constraints.	<i>Judge Wessel recused/removed from presiding over family matters.</i>	Capital One files suit against Plaintiff.
Apr 12, 2023	—	—	Default Judgment Entered against Plaintiff by Judge Wessel (TJW).
Late June 2023	Plaintiff moves to Rochester, MN with limited funds.	—	<i>Case goes completely dormant.</i>
July - Dec 2023	Plaintiff attempting to establish employment; requests ADA accommodations	Court ignores ADA requests; proceeds toward final dissolution.	<i>Case remains dormant.</i> No collection efforts made.
January 2024	—	Judgment of Dissolution Entered , formalizing the seizure of business inventory (firearms).	Jan 19: Garnishment and collection proceedings suddenly activate.
March 2024	CRITICAL SQUEEZE: Truck towed (Def. Thomas knowledge); Garnishment, medicals, schooling; homeless	Appeal Pending. Unrecorded, warrantless sale of firearms begins via Sullivan Auctioneers.	Mar 6: Turnover Order entered, draining/freezing Plaintiff's remaining liquid funds.

08/19/2025	Exhibit 'A' to Respondent's Motion to Continue Hearing and for Status on Administrative Matters filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
07/24/2025	Petitioner appears via zoom. Respondent does not appear. Cause comes on for hearing on Emergency Motions. Hearing held.	HJH
002	 Ruling is made regarding Emergency Motions. Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt is set for status on August 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. via zoom. Order Re: Emergency Motions entered.	
07/21/2025	Notice of Hearing filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
07/21/2025	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
07/18/2025	Petition For Indirect Civil Contempt filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
07/18/2025	Emergency Motion to Address Health Insurance filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN. Emergency Motion to Address Carnival Mastercard filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
08/20/2024	Mandate received affirming decision.	UNASSIGNED
05/14/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Zoe Rosecrans entered.	TJW
04/04/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Nicole Kopec entered.	TJW
04/03/2024	Order to pay Court Reporter Gina Feehan entered. Order to pay Court Reporter Kathryn Henseler entered.	TJW
04/03/2024	Document #239436 (ORDER) dated 4/3/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #239435 (ORDER) dated 4/3/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
04/03/2024	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
04/02/2024	Report Of Proceedings for September 20, 2023 Zoom Hearing filed by Gina L. Feehan, RPR, CSR.	UNASSIGNED
04/01/2024	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/27/2024	Request for Preparation of Record on Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/27/2024	Request for Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Request for Report of Proceedings - list of hearings 2022dc15.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/27/2024	A/R added with total of \$181.00. Credit of \$45.25 recorded on 01/22/2024. Account Status Report generated.	UNASSIGNED
02/15/2024	Notice of Appeal with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/02/2024	[Sealed]	TJW
02/02/2024	Document #234220 (ORDER) dated 2/2/2024 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
01/22/2024	APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF COURT FEES (CIVIL) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/22/2024	Order On Application for Wavier of Court Fees entered.	HJH
01/22/2024	Document #233398 (ORDER ON APPLICATION FOR WAVIER OF COURT FEES) dated 1/22/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A.	UNASSIGNED
01/18/2024	Order from Final Pretrial Conference (December 29, 2023)entered nunc pro tunc to December 29, 2023. Order Re:Respondent's Pretrial Motions entered nunc pro tunc to January 11, 2024. Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage and Parenting Plan entered.	HJH

01/18/2024	Document #233177 (ORDER) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON	UNASSIGNED
003	THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #233178 (ORDER) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #233181 (JUDGMENT FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE) dated 1/18/2024 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	
01/11/2024	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se via zoom. GAL Allison Vawter present via zoom. Cause HJH comes on for Bench Trial on All Remaining Issues. Hearing held. Arguments on Pretrial Motions heard. Respondent's Motion to Continue denied. Respondent's Motion in Limine to Exclude is granted. Respondent indicates he must exit hearing due to work related issues. Hearing proceeds without Respondent. On Motion of Petitioner, Court takes Judicial Notice of Final Report of GAL. GAL Allison Vawter sworn in to testify. Respondent's Motion to Bar Evidence of Dissipation is moot. Petitioner sworn in to testify. Mr. David Osmer sworn in to testify. Formal Order to follow.	
01/10/2024	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
01/10/2024	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/10/2024	Motion to Bar Evidence and Consideration of Issue--Dissipation filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/10/2024	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/09/2024	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
01/08/2024	Motion For Judicial Notice #5 & Motion in Limine to Exclude Petitioner's Evidence (Appraisal) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/08/2024	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/02/2024	Final Report Of The Guardian Ad Litem (Updated) filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED
12/28/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
12/27/2023	Final Report Of Gal filed by VAWTER, ALISON. Attachments To Final Report filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED
12/27/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
12/18/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
12/15/2023	Order Regarding Holiday Schedule entered. The deadline for filing of Pretrial Affidavits and GAL Report is extended to Wednesday, December 27, 2023.	HJH

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Order entered.
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12/13/2023 04 On the Court's own Motion, the status hearing scheduled for December 18, 2023 is vacated. Hearing is continued to December 29, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.. UNASSIGNED

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Order entered.
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12/12/2023 [Impounded] [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

12/08/2023 [Impounded] [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

12/08/2023 Motion for Extension of Time with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

12/08/2023 By agreement, the time for presentation of a proposed agreed order regarding holiday parenting time is extended to December 14, 2023. HJH

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Order entered.
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12/01/2023 Order Re: December 1, 2023 Review/Status Hearing entered. HJH

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11/29/2023 [Impounded] [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

11/20/2023 [Sealed] TJW

11/13/2023 [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]

11/03/2023 Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. GAL Vawter present. All parties appear via zoom. HJH

Cause comes on for Case Management Conference. Hearing held.

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Cause is set to December 1, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Review/Status hearing via zoom.
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Order Updating Parental Responsibilities entered.
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11/03/2023 Document #215988 (ORDER) dated 11/3/2023 emailed to: UNASSIGNED

THOMAS, LUKE A
VAWTER, ALISON
THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.

10/23/2023 Verified Notice Of Filing For Completion Of Record filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

Notice-Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.
Notice-Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.
Notice - Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.

10/20/2023 Motion to Deem Facts Admitted re 4-29-2023 RTA filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

10/20/2023 Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

10/18/2023 Motion for Judicial Notice #4 re ADA filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

Motion for Judicial Notice re School & Removal of GAL filed by THOMAS, LUKE.

10/18/2023 Exhibit A filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

Exhibit B filed by THOMAS, LUKE.

10/12/2023 [Impounded] [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

09/25/2023 Respondent's Motion For Judicial Notice #3 filed by THOMAS, LUKE. UNASSIGNED

09/25/2023 [Impounded] UNASSIGNED

09/20/2023 Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. GAL Vawter present. All parties present via zoom. HJH

Cause comes on for status and scheduling.

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Ms. Malinda Vogel shall provide reports to the GAL in sufficient time to provide a final GAL report to the Court well in advance of trial.
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The Court will not entertain any emergency motions or petitions without the availability of the findings and recommendations of the court appointed experts.
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On the Court's own motion, paragraph 13 of the Emergency Order entered on or about May 20, 2023 is modified to allow electronic communications with the parties minor children.
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The Respondent's recently filed Motions for Judicial Notice will be considered and ruled upon at trial.
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Order entered.
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All Pretrial Motions and Pretrial Affidavits shall be filed by December 15, 2023.

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Pretrial Conference is set for December 18, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. via
zoom.

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All remaining issues are set for Trial/hearing on January 11 and 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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Domestic Relations Hearing Scheduling Order entered.

09/19/2023	Motion for Judicial Notice #2 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
09/18/2023	Motion for Judicial Notice #1 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
09/13/2023	Case continued to September 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Status hearing via Zoom.	HJH
	 Order entered.	
09/13/2023	Document #211710 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/13/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
09/08/2023	Case set to September 13, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. for Status hearing via Zoom.	HJH
	 Order entered.	
09/08/2023	Document #211370 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 9/8/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
09/07/2023	Supplement To Petition For Expedited Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
	Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Supplemental Attachment filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
08/29/2023	Petition For Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
08/01/2023	Document #207854 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 8/1/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
07/31/2023	Trial dates of August 17 and 18, 2023 are hereby vacated for good cause. Cause is set to September 7, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. for status hearing via zoom.	HJH
	 Order entered.	
07/13/2023	Mandate received dismissing appeal per order.	UNASSIGNED
06/22/2023	Document #204608 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 6/21/2023 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
06/21/2023	The Court having received an invoice attached hereto as Exhibit "A" from Court Reporter Shannon Nickamp, and finding that this is necessary for the Court, it is hereby Ordered that the Cass County Treasurer shall pay said invoice within 30 days of this Order.	KDT
	 Order entered.	
06/20/2023	Report Of Proceedings October 21, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings November 15, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings December 22, 2022 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings January 27, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings February 3, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings March 28, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR. Report Of Proceedings April 28, 2023 filed by Shannon M. Niekamp, CSR.	UNASSIGNED

06/08/2023	Order from Appellate Court dismissing appeal filed.	UNASSIGNED
05/30/2023	Motion for Extension of Time filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
05/30/2023 ⁹⁰⁶	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN. Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
05/30/2023	Response filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED
05/30/2023	Order Regarding Midwest Counseling Services entered. Motion for Extension of Time granted. Petitioner is granted an additional 14 days from this date to respond to the discovery requests. Pretrial date of August 4, 2023 is vacated. Order entered.	HJH
05/30/2023	Document #202641 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #202640 (ORDER) dated 5/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
05/24/2023	Motion for Substitution of Judge as a Matter of Right filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/24/2023	Respondent's Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge as a Matter of Right is hereby denied. Order entered.	HJH
05/24/2023	Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/24/2023	Document #202364 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/24/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
05/23/2023	Emergency Order #2 entered.	HJH
05/23/2023	Supplemental Information Provided Re Sangamon Co. 2023-op-938 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/23/2023	Emergency Notice of Appeal and Emergency Stay filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/22/2023	Emergency Order entered and impounded.	HJH
05/15/2023	Report of Proceedings filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/15/2023	Upon the court's request and by agreement, the hearing dates of August 10-11, 2023 are hereby vacated. This matter shall instead be set for hearing on August 17-18, 2023. Order entered.	HJH
05/15/2023	Document #201603 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/15/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
05/12/2023	Document #201292 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #201297 (HEARING SCHEDULING ORDER) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
05/12/2023	Emergency Motion filed by VAWTER, ALISON.	UNASSIGNED
05/12/2023	Cause comes on for hearing on GAL's Emergency Motion. All parties, GAL and the Court appear via zoom. GAL's Emergency Motion granted.	HJH

Order entered.

05/12/2023	Document #201292 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 5/12/2023 emailed to:	UNASSIGNED
007	THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	
05/11/2023	Cause comes on for hearing on pending pleadings. All parties and the court appear via Zoom.	HJH
	State's (IDHS) Motion to Strike the Respondent's Motion for Joinder is granted for the reasons stated on record.	
	Petitioner is ordered to immediately reimburse the Respondent for the cost to tow Respondent's vehicle from her driveway.	
	Petitioner shall pay her share of the repair bill for the Respondent's vehicle.	
	Any contempt finding shall be reserved.	
	A transcript of this proceeding shall be made and filed with the costs to Cass County pursuant to previous Order.	
	Order entered.	
	Domestic Relations Hearing Scheduling Order entered.	
05/08/2023	Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Petition for Rule to Show Cause filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/08/2023	Notice Of Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/02/2023	Document #199851 (ORDER) dated 5/2/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
05/01/2023	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
05/01/2023	Order regarding hearing held on April 28, 2023 entered.	HJH
	Respondent's Motion for Joinder filed March 10, 2023 and the IDHS Motion to Strike shall be heard on Thursday May 11, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. via zoom.	
04/28/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for All Pending/Status. Hearing held.	HJH
	Respondent, Attorney L. Thomas hereby withdraws Subpoenas. Motion to Quash Subpoenas is hereby granted.	
	Order entered.	
	Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Vacate Order (filed 3-6-23)	
	Court hereby grants the Motion to Vacate. Ruling as to allocation of firearms to be reserved at final hearing.	
	Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Deem Facts Admitted (filed 3-3-23).	
	Court hereby grants Motion to Deem Facts. Facts are deemed admitted.	
	Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion to Bar Evidence (filed 1-20-23).	
	Court hereby	
	Court allows Petitioner to respond by May 30, 2023.	
	Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Motion for Temporary Relief (filed 12-5-22).	
	Respondent's Exhibit 1 is hereby admitted.	
	Court hereby takes Motion for Temporary Relief under advisement.	

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Attorney G. Thomas makes argument.

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Attorney L. Thomas makes argument for Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt (10-21-22 Order) (filed 3-23-23).

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(Court recesses 11:19 a.m.)

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(Court reconvenes 11:24)

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Court hereby denies Petition to Indirect Civil Contempt.

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Attorney G. Thomas makes argument Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution (filed 11-22-23).

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Attorney L. Thomas makes argument.

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Court hereby grants Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution.

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Court hereby Bifurcates & grants Judgment of Dissolution. Court finds grounds for Judgment of Dissolution.
All Remainin issues to be
addressed.

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Court hereby sets Zoom hearing for Motion for Joinder on May 11, 2023.

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Attorney G. Thomas addresses remaining issues.

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Court to be in contact with parties in regard to final hearings dates.

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Attorney G. Thomas to file Motions.

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(Formal Order to be submitted by Judge Henze).

04/20/2023	Supplemental To Motion To Bar Evidence filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
04/14/2023	Entry Of Appearance filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED
04/14/2023	Motion to Strike Filed by IDHS filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED
04/14/2023	Motion to Continue filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED
04/14/2023	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by NICKOLS, LORELEI.	UNASSIGNED
04/14/2023	Document #198813 (MOTION TO CONTINUE) dated 4/14/2023 emailed to: HENZE, HOLLY J THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON NICKOLS, LORELEI THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
03/28/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
03/28/2023	Mr. Thomas appears via Zoom. GAL Alison Vawter appears via Zoom. Ms.Thomas does not appear. Cause comes on for hearing on Petition for Order of Protection. Hearing held (Adams Co.) Petition is continued to April 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for further hearing. Order on Petition for Order of Protection entered.	HJH
03/28/2023	Document #197280 (ORDER) dated 3/28/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
03/27/2023	All Pending Motion and Petitions are hereby set for hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 28, 2023. On the Court's on motion, the Petitioner is granted ten days within which to file written responses or objections to all pending Motions and Petitions. On the Court's own motion, the Respondent's Motion for Leave to file Response to Petition for Dissolution of Marriage is granted. The Respondent's Response shall be filed in stanter. Order entered.	HJH
03/27/2023	Document #197058 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/27/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED

03/27/2023	Notice of Hearing with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/27/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
03/23/2023	Petition for Indirect Civil Contempt re Disposal of Earned Income without Approval filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/23/2023	Attachment: Order - No Disposal Of Earned Income 10-21-22 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/10/2023	Motion to Quash Subpoena filed.	UNASSIGNED
03/10/2023	Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
	Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Message to Sheriff Ohrn re Medicaid Fraud 9-14-2022.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Logsdon Davidsmeier Check Held by GMT 10-13-2022.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Joinder re Illinois Department of Human Services - Thomas v Thomas Memorandum in Support of Determination as a Matter of Law --IDHS.pdf filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
03/08/2023	Motion to Quash Subpoena filed.	UNASSIGNED
03/08/2023	Cause is set to March 17, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. for telephonic Case Management Conference.	HJH
	Order entered.	
03/08/2023	Document #195661 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/8/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
03/06/2023	Motion to Vacate Order With Alternative Relief Requested filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/06/2023	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
	Supplemental filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
03/03/2023	Motion To Address Classification Of Funds filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/03/2023	Notice of Interlocutory Appeal filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
03/03/2023	Motion To Deem Facts Admitted filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
	Motion to Deem Facts Admitted filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
03/03/2023	The Honorable Jerry J. Hooker hereby recuses himself from the cause.	JJH
	Cause is referred to the Chief Judge for re-assignment.	
	Court vacates March 3, 2023 hearing.	
	Order entered.	
03/03/2023	Document #195395 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 3/3/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
03/03/2023	The Honorable Holly J. Henze is assigned to hear this case through completion.	JFM
	Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.	
03/03/2023	Document #195453 (ORDER) dated 3/3/2023 emailed to: HOOKER, JERRY J THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
02/28/2023	Verified Notice of Suit and Completion of Record filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/28/2023	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Text Re Federal Complaint To Judge From Gmt filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Osmer, John D. Ltr 2-19-2023 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Osmer, David & Georgeanne Ltr. 2-26-2023 filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Email Chain Regarding Fed Complaint filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
	Verified Notice Of Suit And Completion Of Record - Federal Complaint Ecf Downloaded From Cour filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	
02/27/2023	Motion for Hearing Setting on Pending Motions and Summary of Pending Motions filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/27/2023	Summary Of Pending Motions filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/27/2023	Subpoena - Issued filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED

02/16/2023	Petitioner present by phone. Respondent present by phone. Cause comes on for Status. Hearing held. Status Hearing Order entered.	JJH
02/16/2023	Document #194186 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 2/16/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
02/06/2023	Order following previous hearing entered. Case Management Order entered.	JJH
02/06/2023	Document #193246 (CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER) dated 2/6/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M. Document #193244 (ORDER) dated 2/6/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
02/06/2023	MOTION FOR SPECIFIC FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING DETERMINATION RESPONDENT IS NOT DISABLED filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
02/03/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion Hearing/Status. Hearing held. Court addresses requests made from previous order. Financial Affidavit filed by Petitioner. (Court Recesses 10:31 a.m.) (Court Reconvenes 10:42 a.m.) Court addresses Emergency Motion For Temporary Relief. Court hears argument & evidence given in regard to Motion Hearing. Group Exhibits 1 thru 10 admitted over objection. Gwendolyn M. Thomas, Petitioner, sworn in for Testimony. (Court Recesses 11:59 a.m.) (Court Reconvenes 12:59 a.m.) Gwendolyn M. Thomas, Petitioner, recalled for Testimony. Georgeanne Osmer, Petitioner's Mother, sworn in for Testimony. Based upon the arguments of counsel & evidence, Emergency Motion for Temporary Relief is hereby denied. Cause is continued for Conference Call to February 7, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. Formal Order is to follow. (NO WRITTEN ORDER ENTERED)	JJH
02/01/2023	Memorandum In Support Of Determination As A Matter Of Law filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/30/2023	The court directs the parties to obtain all requested information on the following Order. Order entered.	JJH
01/30/2023	Document #192512 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/30/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
01/27/2023	Memorandum Re Radon Reports filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/27/2023	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion/status hearing. Hearing held. Atty. Alison Vawter, GAL for all 4 children, sworn in for testimony.	JJH

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Cause is continued to February 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for status hearing.

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ORDER ENTERED.

01/27/2023	[Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
01/27/2023	Document #192474 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/27/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
01/26/2023	[Impounded] [Impounded] [Impounded]	UNASSIGNED
01/20/2023	Subpoena - to Issue filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/20/2023	Subpoena - Return filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/20/2023	Motion to Bar Evidence and Testimony with COS filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/19/2023	Motion To Pay Filing Fees filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/17/2023	Motion to Compel #2 re Request for Document Production filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/13/2023	Motion to Compel re First Set of Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/12/2023	Plaintiff present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for CMC via phone. Hearing held. Cause set January 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for Motion hearing. Order entered.	JJH
01/12/2023	Document #191672 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 1/12/2023 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
01/10/2023	Emergency Motion For Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/09/2023	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
01/09/2023	Motion for Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/22/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for Motion for Substitution of Judge. Hearing held. Based upon arguments, Court does not find basis to grant Motion for Substitution by Matter of Cause. Motion is hereby denied. Cause is continued generally for scheduling. Order entered.	CHB
12/20/2022	Amended Motion for Substitution of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/19/2022	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/16/2022	Cause is set for hearing on the Respondent's Motion for Substitution of Judge on December 22, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. before the Honorable Charles H.W. Burch at the Cass County Courthouse. Order Setting Hearing entered.	CHB
12/16/2022	Document #189452 (ORDER SETTING HEARING) dated 12/16/2022 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE A VAWTER, ALISON THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
12/15/2022	Certificate of Service re LAT's Request for Document Production filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/15/2022	Notice of Scrivener's Error re Discovery Certificates of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/15/2022	Certificate Of Service Re Second Set Of Supp 29-30 filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Certificate Of Service Re Third Set Of Matrimonial Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Certificate Of Service Re Respondent's First Set Of Matrimonial Interrogatories filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/15/2022	Notice of Filing re Lis Pendens with Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Notice Of Filing Re Lis Pendens With Certificate Of Service Lis filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/13/2022	The Honorable Charles H. W. Burch is assigned to hear the motion for Substitution of Judge for Cause against Jerry J. Hooker.	JFM

Order for Hearing on Motion for Substitution entered.

12/13/2022	Document #189008 (ORDER) dated 12/13/2022 emailed to:	UNASSIGNED
012	THOMAS, LUKE	
	THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	
12/12/2022	Notice of Hearing for December 16 Hearing filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/12/2022	Motion to Appoint Attorney for Minor Children filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion to Reconsider with Proof of Service Incorporated filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/06/2022	Subpoena Duces Tecum filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas.	UNASSIGNED
12/05/2022	Motion For Substitution Of Judge filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
12/05/2022	Motion to Address Conflicts filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion for Temporary Relief filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
11/28/2022	Notice of Hearing filed by petitioner.	UNASSIGNED
	Certificate of Service filed by petitioner.	
11/22/2022	Motion For Leave To File Response To Petition For Dissolution filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
11/22/2022	Response To Petition For Dissolution Of Marriage filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
11/22/2022	Certificate Of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
11/22/2022	Motion for Sale of Firearms filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas.	UNASSIGNED
	Motion for Bifurcated Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage filed by Gwendolyn M. Thomas.	
11/18/2022	Parties present by phone. Cause comes on for conference call.	JJH
	Hearing held.	
	Order entered.	
11/18/2022	Document #187102 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 11/18/2022 emailed to: THOMAS, LUKE THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
11/15/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se. Cause comes on for status hearing. Hearing held.	JJH
	Cause is continued to November 30, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. for conference call regarding status.	
	Cause is set for status hearing on December 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.	
	Order entered.	
10/21/2022	Petitioner present pro se. Respondent present pro se.	JJH
	Based on the evidence heard in 22-OP-66, Protective Order is entered in this case.	
	Emergency Order in 22-OP-66 is vacated.	
	Plenary Petition remains pending.	
	Parenting time is established.	
	Court appoints Alison Vawter as GAL.	
	Cause is continued to November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. for status.	
	Order entered.	
10/18/2022	Alias Summons returned showing service and filed.	UNASSIGNED
10/17/2022	Alias Summons issued to the Cass County Sheriff for service.	UNASSIGNED
10/13/2022	The Honorable Jerry J. Hooker is hereby assigned to hear this case through completion.	JFM

Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.

10/13/2022	Document #184060 (ORDER) dated 10/13/2022 emailed to: 013 HOOKER, JERRY J THOMAS, LUKE A THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M.	UNASSIGNED
10/11/2022	Summons returned not served and filed.	UNASSIGNED
10/03/2022	Notice of Change of Electronic Mailing Address w Certificate of Service filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED
09/20/2022	Cause is set for Status/Case Management Conference on September 30, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Case Management Order entered.	RBT
09/19/2022	The Honorable Timothy J. Wessel and the Honorable Kevin D. Tippey having recused themselves, it is hereby JFM Ordered as follows: The Honorable Roger B. Thomson is assigned to hear this case through to completion. Order for Reassignment of Judge entered.	
09/19/2022	Document #171881 (ORDER) dated 9/19/2022 emailed to: THOMSON, ROGER B.	UNASSIGNED
09/14/2022	Summons issued and returned to Petitioner service.	UNASSIGNED
09/13/2022	The Honorable Timothy J. Wessel and the Honorable Kevin D. Tippey hereby recuse themselves from hearing any proceedings in regard to this matter. This matter is referred to the Honorable Frank McCartney, Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, for reassignment. Order of Recusal entered.	TJW
09/12/2022	Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed. Notice of Confidential Information within Court filing filed. Payment of \$306.00 posted on 09/12/2022.	UNASSIGNED

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Entered Under: CAPITAL ONE, N A			
08/23/2024	SATISFACTION OF JUDGMENT Entered.	TJW	
08/23/2024	SATISFACTION OF JUDGMENT filed.	UNASSIGNED	
08/07/2024	Interrogatories filed by CAPITAL ONE, N A.	UNASSIGNED	
06/12/2024	Wage Deduction Order entered.	KDT	
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06/11/2024	Plaintiff appears by Attorney Bougher. Defendant does not appear. Cause comes on for Motion Hearing. Hearing held.	TJW	
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	Cause is Stricken from the call.		
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	Order entered.		
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04/15/2024	Notice of Motion filed by DIPLACIDO, CHRISTOPHER.	UNASSIGNED	
04/15/2024	Motion For Garnishment filed by DIPLACIDO, CHRISTOPHER.	UNASSIGNED	
03/25/2024	Mail dated February 13, 2024 returned showing undeliverable and filed.	UNASSIGNED	
.....			
03/06/2024	Plaintiff appears by Counsel. Defendant does not appear. Cause comes on for Motion hearing. Hearing held.	KDT	
.....			
	Wage Deduction Order/Turnover Order entered.		
.....			
03/06/2024	Document #236930 (WAGE DEDUCTION ORDER/TURNOVER ORDER) dated 3/6/2024 emailed to: OLEFSKY, DAVID PRETET, TRACIE K REISMAN, DONNA.	UNASSIGNED	
02/13/2024	Cause is set to March 6, 2024 at 8:45 a.m. for hearing on Motion for Entry of Wage Deduction Order.	KDT	
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	Order Setting Case entered.		
.....			
02/13/2024	Document #235022 (ORDER SETTING CASE ENTERED) dated 2/13/2024 emailed to: OLEFSKY, DAVID.	UNASSIGNED	
02/06/2024	Order for Substitution of Judge entered.	JFM	
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02/06/2024	Document #234377 (RECUSAL ORDER) dated 2/6/2024 emailed to: REISMAN, DONNA.	UNASSIGNED	
02/05/2024	Judge Timothy J. Wessel hereby recuses himself from this matter.	TJW	
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	Cause is referred to Chief Judge for re-assignment.		
.....			
	Recusal Order entered.		
.....			
01/19/2024	Interrogatories filed by OLEFSKY, DAVID.	UNASSIGNED	
01/09/2024	Additional Paragraphs for Answer/Response filed by CAPITAL ONE, N A.	UNASSIGNED	
11/29/2023	Payment of \$30.00 applied on 11/27/2023.	UNASSIGNED	
11/27/2023	Affidavit & interrogatory filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/27/2023	Summons - Issued filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED	
11/27/2023	Citation/Garnishment/Wage Deduction - Issued filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED	
05/25/2023	MEMORANDUM OF JUDGMENT entered.	TJW	
05/25/2023	Document #202485 (MEMORANDUM OF JUDGMENT) dated 5/25/2023 emailed to: REISMAN, DONNA.	UNASSIGNED	
04/12/2023	Plaintiff appears by Attorney Bablo. Defendant fails to appear. Cause comes on for Motion hearing. Hearing held.	TJW	
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	Defendant, having failed to appear, found in default.		
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Order entered.

03/20/2023	Notice of Motion filed by REISMAN, DONNA.	UNASSIGNED
03/20/2023 ¹⁵	Motion For Default And Judgment filed by REISMAN, DONNA.	UNASSIGNED
02/06/2023	Affidavit of Service filed by CAPITAL ONE, N A.	UNASSIGNED
02/01/2023	Complaint filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED
02/01/2023	Affidavit As To Military Service filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED
02/01/2023	Summons - Issued filed by PRETET, TRACIE.	UNASSIGNED

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Date	Entry	Judge	Reporter
	Entered Under: PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC		
12/18/2025	MOTION TO DISMISS filed by FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	
12/08/2025	On Motion of the Plaintiff, Case is hereby dismissed with prejudice. Order entered.	TJW	
12/08/2025	Document #283505 (ORDER ENTERED.) dated 12/8/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	
10/07/2025	By Agreement, Cause is continued for Status to December 9, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. Order entered.	TJW	
10/06/2025	Response to Complaint filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
08/13/2025	Motion to Vacate is granted. Default Judgment entered on July 8, 2025 is vacated. Defendant has 28 days to file an answer in this matter. Matter is set to October 7, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. for Status. All parties & counsel must appear. Order to Vacate entered.	TJW	
08/13/2025	Document #276039 (ORDER TO VACATE) dated 8/13/2025 emailed to: THOMAS, GWENDOLYN M FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	
08/06/2025	Motion to Vacate Default Judgment filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
07/08/2025	Attorney Pittman appears on behalf of the Petitioner. Respondent does not appear. Cause comes on for Status. Hearing held. Defendant having been served is hereby found in default. Default Judgment Order entered.	TJW	
05/13/2025	Plaintiff appears by Attorney Pittman. Defendant does not appear (excused). Cause comes on for Complaint. Hearing held. Matter is continued to July 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. for Status. Order entered.	TJW	
05/12/2025	Motion to Continue filed by THOMAS, GWENDOLYN.	UNASSIGNED	
04/03/2025	Proof of Service/Certificate of Service filed by PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC.	UNASSIGNED	
03/26/2025	Payment of \$306.00 applied on 03/24/2025.	UNASSIGNED	
03/21/2025	Complaint filed by FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/21/2025	Affidavit As To Military Service filed by FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	
03/21/2025	Summons - Issued filed by FELSKA, FRANCINE.	UNASSIGNED	

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
for the
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
Springfield Division

LUKE A. THOMAS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

HOLLY J. HENZE, in her official capacity only;
JERRY J. HOOKER, in his official capacity only;
DEVRON OHRN, in his official and individual
capacities;
JUSTIN OLIVER, in his official and individual
capacities;
GWENDOLYN M. THOMAS, in her official and
Individual capacities;
GEORGEANNE OSMER, individually;
JOHN D. OSMER, individually;
CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
MENARD COUNTY, ILLINOIS;
THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS;
JOHN DOES 1–10, individually and in their official
capacities (as applicable)

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 26-CV-0319

NOTICE OF FILING -
SUPPLEMENTAL EXHIBITS

Group Exhibit D2: Trial Length and Imbalance of Resources

INDEX FOLLOWS

GROUP EXHIBIT D2

TITLE: DUE PROCESS — TRIAL LENGTH AND IMBALANCE OF RESOURCES

DESCRIPTION: This exhibit contains a chronological record of correspondence between the Plaintiff and the Presiding Judge, the Honorable Holly J. Henze, regarding the scheduling and scope of trial proceedings in the underlying state court matter (*IRMO Thomas*, 22-DC-15).

RELEVANCE:

1. **Trial Scope & Complexity:** Pages 1–2 demonstrate that the Court and all parties anticipated and scheduled a four-day trial to address the complex issues of property disposition, custody, and ADA compliance.

2. **Summary Deprivation:** The contrast between this anticipated four-day trial and the resulting unrecorded, non-transcribed, two-hour Zoom proceeding on January 24, 2024, evidences a fundamental violation of Due Process and a failure to provide a meaningful opportunity to be heard.

3. **Systemic Obstruction:** The subsequent correspondence memorializes the Plaintiff's repeated efforts to secure an accurate record, including cost-free transcripts, demonstrating an imbalance of resources and a pattern of administrative obstruction that hindered the Plaintiff's ability to pursue appellate relief.

INDEX OF DOCUMENTS: GROUP EXHIBIT D2

Document No.	Date	Description
D2-001	05/03/2023	Email from Judge Holly J. Henze confirming four-day trial scheduling requirements and the court's request to "pare down" issues.
D2-002	05/03/2023	Correspondence from Plaintiff to Judge Henze and counsel regarding trial scope, anticipated complexities, and the logistical challenges of a four-day proceeding.
D2-003	01/08/2024	Docket Snippet re Filing of Motion to Continue
D2-004-007	01/10/2024	Submission of Reports, Child's Medicals, Status on Continuance request for hearing; Judge's Response to Zoom instead because "case needs resolved"

Document No.	Date	Description
D2-008-016	01/10/2024	Status on Continuance; Weather Reports; Impossibility to Conduct via Zoom; Request to have Motion to Continue heard on the Record
D2-017	01/10/2024	Correspondence from Plaintiff to Court with PTO Summaries from Mayo (absences and time-off due to unanticipated move of minor and time needed to help him)
D2-018-023	01/11/2024	Correspondences to/from Judge and Parties regarding “Technical Difficulties”; Zoom trial changed from Adams County to Cass County and “TJ Wessel’s Private Meeting Room”. Illustrates the complexities involved.
D024-029	01/16/2024-01/17/2024	Correspondence from Plaintiff inquiring about status of written judgment due to emergency medical and financial needs; transportation. Request for hearing on Emergency Motion.
D2-030-	01/18/2024	Judge Henze denies request for hearing date, instructs Plaintiff time better spent filing appeal.
D2-031-038	01/18/2024-01/21/2024	Correspondence regarding need for Transcripts; Def. Thomas’s objection to Court providing transcripts free of charge ; Transmission of Application

My apologies...August 25 is not available for a setting. I have felony pretrials here in Adams County.

HJH

From: Holly Henze

Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2023 10:02 AM

To: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>; gwentthomaslaw@gmail.com; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

Subject: IRMO Thomas

Mr. Thomas indicated the trial would take four days. Based on my schedule and the regular dockets in Cass County I am not going to be able to provide alternative dates for 4 consecutive days. I'd also like to think we can pare down the issues that two days would be sufficient. The following dates can be made available for scheduling purposes:

Thursday and Friday, August 10 and 11
Thursday and Friday, August 17 and 18
Thursday and Friday, August 24 and 25
Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1
Thursday and Friday, September 7 and 8

I will look forward to hearing from you so that dates can be chosen, and a Hearing Scheduling Order can be entered.

Thank you for your cooperation. HJH

Hon. Holly J. Henze

521 Vermont Street

Quincy, IL 62301

217-277-2032

hhenze@adamscountyil.gov

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Re: IRMO Thomas

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 5/3/2023 2:14 PM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Judge,

August 10-11 or the following week would be best for me. This would allow resolution prior to the first day of school.

Thank you for the flexibility in selecting dates.

Luke Thomas

On Wed, May 3, 2023, 10:01 AM Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov> wrote:

Mr. Thomas indicated the trial would take four days. Based on my schedule and the regular dockets in Cass County I am not going to be able to provide alternative dates for 4 consecutive days. I'd also like to think we can pare down the issues that two days would be sufficient. The following dates can be made available for scheduling purposes:

Thursday and Friday, August 10 and 11

Thursday and Friday, August 17 and 18

Thursday and Friday, August 24 and 25

Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1

Thursday and Friday, September 7 and 8

I will look forward to hearing from you so that dates can be chosen, and a Hearing Scheduling Order can be entered.

Thank you for your cooperation. HJH

07/08/2024	Motion For Judicial Notice #5 & Motion in Limine to Exclude Petitioner's Evidence (Appraisal) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED		
01/08/2024	Motion To Continue filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE. Motion To Continue (Attachment) filed by THOMAS, LUKE.	UNASSIGNED		

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Supplemental Report--Education Only

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Tue 1/9/2024 1:42 PM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

 4 attachments (1,024 KB)

IRMO Thomas Supplemental Report Education Only 01-09-2024.pdf; Education Summary 1-9-2024 Attach 1.pdf; RPS Online Enrollment.pdf; Enrollment and Start date at Mayo High School 1-9-2024.pdf;

Judge,

Similar to my filing earlier today, I have submitted a supplemental report regarding developments in [REDACTED] education plan. I have attached what was submitted to the Circuit Clerk for filing. Again, I will make every attempt to address the remaining issues in a final supplemental report after I return home from work.

I have copied Gwen and Alison on this email (both are listed for e-service in Tyler/Odyssey).

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Respondent's Supplemental Report-Medical Only

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Tue 1/9/2024 10:00 AM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

7 attachments (3 MB)

Supp Report IRMO Thomas 1-8-2024.pdf; Medical Summary p 1 of 2 1-7-2024.pdf; Medical Summary p 2 of 2 1-7-2024.pdf; Cushing syndrome - Symptoms and causes - Mayo Clinic.pdf; Cortisol Testing Pic.pdf; Supplies pic.pdf; SUPplies 2.pdf;

Dear Judge,

In order expediting submission of my supplemental report, I have submitted a supplemental report for filing with the Cass County Circuit Clerk's office this morning which only covers medical updates. I hope to finalize the supplemental report in regard to [REDACTED] enrollment in Rochester Public School, social/housing/financial, and family section this evening after work.

I have copied Gwen and Alison on this email and attachments (they are also listed as service contacts with the submission) and will also copy them on any additional submissions.

I'll reach out once the aforementioned supplemental reports are submitted.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

P.S. Given the sensitive nature of [REDACTED] personal health information, I have submitted the filing and attachments as 'confidential'.

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Outlook

RE: IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Financial/Emergency Motion

From Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 8:42 AM

To Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

I have and continue to be involved in a two day trial here in Adams so I have not had the opportunity to review any filings.

I was not aware Luke had filed a Motion to Continue until this morning. I have now reviewed it. As far as asking for time off of work, the scheduling order was entered on September 20 which served to allow both parties and the GAL more than sufficient time to arrange their schedules around the dates all parties agreed upon. As far as weather and road conditions, all exhibits should have been previously filed as part of the pretrial affidavits (or in other pleadings), and the court would certainly be amenable to appearance(s) via Zoom pursuant to S.Ct.Rule 45. In fact, if the weather or road conditions worsen, I would intend on appearing via Zoom. As far as the emergency financial issues, it would be my intention to hear these very issues tomorrow and/or Friday.

This case needs to be resolved, and I would intend on hearing all matters and issuing a final and appealable Judgment and Order within a few days following the hearing.

HJH

Hon. Holly J. Henze

521 Vermont Street
Quincy, IL 62301
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hhenze@adamscountyil.gov

From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 7:12 AM
To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>
Cc: Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomasl原因@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>
Subject: IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Financial/Emergency Motion

Judge,

I have attached the final summary (financial) which has been filed in the form of an emergency motion.

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Thank you.

Luke Thomas

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Financial/Emergency Motion

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 7:12 AM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

8 attachments (2 MB)

Dec 12 pay date stubs.pdf; Dec 26 pay date stub.pdf; IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Emergency Motion Jan 2024.pdf; Jan 9 Pay Date stub.pdf; Nov 28 pay date stub.pdf; Cover Summary.pdf; Hotel Lodging 31 day summary MN Benefits Applicaiton.pdf; Summary of Monthly Finances Nov 2-Jan 9 Attachment.pdf;

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Motion to Bar Evidence and Cons. of Issue--Dissipation

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 3:11 PM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>; Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

1 attachment (177 KB)

IRMO THomas Motion to Bar Evidence and Consideration of Issue--Dissapation 1-11-2024.pdf;

Dear Judge,

I have attached a courtesy copy of a Motion to Bar Evidence and Consideration of Issue—Dissipation submitted for filing with the Cass County Circuit Clerk. I have copied Gwen and Alison on this email and the attachments.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Supplement #2 to Motion to Continue

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 4:41 PM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

 2 attachments (272 KB)

NWS Rochester MN 1-10-2024 425 p.m..pdf; IRMO THomas Supplement #2 to Motion to Continue 1-10-2024.pdf;

Judge,

A courtesy copy of the above-referenced filing is attached. In essence, it is an updated weather report issued by the NWS for Rochester, MN.

Gwen and Alison are copied on this email and the attachment.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas



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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Supplement to Motion to Continue--Sick Tlme

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 11:58 AM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

2 attachments (192 KB)

Sick Time 1-10-2024.pdf; Supplement to Motion to Continue 01-10-2024.pdf;

Judge,

I apologize for the multiple filings. I have attached a supplemental filing made with the Cass County Circuit Clerk's in regard to my Motion to Continue and request to set the same. I would like to advise my employer that I will need to use "sick" time to present the motions which I am required to do under my policy of employment.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

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To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>

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 1 attachment (177 KB)

Notice of Hearing for 1-11-2024 w COS.pdf;

Judge,

For the sake of keeping the record clean, I have attached a courtesy copy of the Notice of Hearing submitted for electronic filing regarding my request that the motion to continue and emergency motion be heard.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas



Re: IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Financial/Emergency Motion

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/10/2024 9:14 AM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

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Judge,

I cannot attend in person due to the weather, finances, and such short notice to my employer. Considering the weather conditions and known circumstances, I didn't fathom the motion be opposed or denied.. It was never contemplated that the trial would be conducted by Zoom or to know what exhibits were previously filed and are being considered. Some exhibits have not been scanned and are not capable of being scanned or submitted in a proper manner. There is a need for emergency relief.

I understand the Court's position. I ask the Court take up the Motion to Continue and Emergency Motion for Temporary Relief as the first two matters addressed on the record. I cannot be absent from work all day on Thursday and Friday and therefore would ask to be heard on the record regarding the motions as the first matters before the Court. If denied, the matters could then proceed without me, as it simply is impossible. I am willing to attend by Zoom for this limited and relatively uncomplicated issues, but for a trial affecting so many aspects of me and my family, I simply cannot acquiesce under the circumstances. I hope you understand.

Respectfully,

Luke Thomas

On Wed, Jan 10, 2024 at 8:42 AM Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov> wrote:

I have and continue to be involved in a two day trial here in Adams so I have not had the opportunity to review any filings.

I was not aware Luke had filed a Motion to Continue until this morning. I have now reviewed it. As far as asking for time off of work, the scheduling order was entered on September 20 which served to allow both parties and the GAL more than sufficient time to arrange their schedules around the dates all parties agreed upon. As far as weather and road conditions, all exhibits should have been previously filed as part of the pretrial affidavits (or in other pleadings), and the court would certainly be amenable to appearance(s) via Zoom pursuant to S.Ct.Rule 45. In fact, if the weather or road conditions worsen, I would intend on appearing via Zoom. As far as the emergency financial issues, it would be my intention to hear these very issues tomorrow and/or Friday.

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This case needs to be resolved, and I would intend on hearing all matters and issuing a final and appealable Judgment and Order within a few days following the hearing.

HJH

Hon. Holly J. Henze

521 Vermont Street

Quincy, IL 62301

217-277-2032

hhenze@adamscountyil.gov

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Luke Thomas

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IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15 Additional attachments

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To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>

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 3 attachments (46 KB)

PTO Dec 31 23.pdf; PTO Nov 1 2023.pdf; PTO Jan 9.pdf;

Judge,

Upon review, I neglected to attach my PTO summaries to the email sent earlier this morning. I have attached the same and copied both Alison and Gwen on this email and attachments. I apologize for the oversight.

Thank you.

Luke Thomas

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Re: Zoom Courtroom?

From Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyiil.gov>

Date Thu 1/11/2024 9:00 AM

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To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyl.gov>

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Subject: RE: Zoom Courtroom?

Got it.

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Subject: Re: Zoom Courtroom?

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024



Re: Follow up

From Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyiil.gov>

Date Tue 1/16/2024 8:18 PM

To Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

You should plan to keep any scheduled appointments. I should have the order completed tomorrow or Thursday.

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From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:16:41 PM

To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyiil.gov>

Subject: Follow up

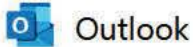
Judge,

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Please advise.

Thank you.

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Re: Follow up

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Tue 1/16/2024 8:20 PM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyiil.gov>

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Re: Upcoming Order

From Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>

Date Wed 1/17/2024 5:15 PM

To Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Cc Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>; Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Luke,

No. My financial position hasn't changed since Sunday. I have no money to give you. You literally broke us.

Had you participated in the trial, you would've had an opportunity to testify regarding your finances and be subject to cross-examination. You elected not to do so. Sending your request to the court, after you opted not to participate at trial, is inappropriate.

These woeful emails requesting money for a hotel stay demonstrates your inability and unwillingness to provide for Grant's basic needs. Get a better paying job, Luke. Grow up.

I am caring for 3 kids and 3 dogs. Where is my support from you? Prior to the latter part of October, I was supporting all 4 kids. I haven't received a dime from you.

██████ would be better off if I just drove up there to get him and brought him home. There is stability here and he wouldn't have to worry where he was going to rest his head each night.

I live paycheck to paycheck and still dedicate all my non-working time to the kids. That's what parents are supposed to do — provide for their children.

Gwen

On Wed, Jan 17, 2024 at 1:26 PM Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com> wrote:

Gwen,

I know you were opposed to assisting with the hotel costs as requested on Sunday. With Judge Henze's order soon to come, I would ask you to reconsider. ██████ has his Echo on Friday and I am working on everything to get him ready for school.

I would ask you to please provide an egift card for hotels.com

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AST shared before, you can consider this as an advance against any amounts awarded to me or you can select any marital property listed in your pre-trial affidavit of similar value.

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I have attached a screen shot so you can confirm the costs and I have also added a link to hotels.com egift card site for your convenience.

<https://hotels.cashstar.com/store/recipient?locale=en-us>

Thanks,

Luke

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To Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>; gwentthomaslaw@gmail.com <gwentthomaslaw@gmail.com>;
Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

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Upcoming Order

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To Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>

Cc Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>; Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

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Quality Inn Hotels 1-17-1-20.PNG;

Gwen,

I know you were opposed to assisting with the hotel costs as requested on Sunday. With Judge Henze's order soon to come, I would ask you to reconsider. [REDACTED] has his Echo on Friday and I am working on everything to get him ready for school.

I would ask you to please provide an egift card for hotels.com today in the amount of \$240.00. This would allow me to book our stay through Friday (I get paid Saturday by direct deposit). This would help immensely so that I can focus on all the upcoming requirements for [REDACTED]

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Thanks,

Mr. Thomas,

I have no time available to schedule a hearing tomorrow (Friday, January 19).

With all due respect, the Judgment did in fact address your request for funds, both on an "emergency" and on a permanent basis. Just because you do not like nor agree with my findings and rulings does not mean the issues were not addressed. I would suggest that your efforts would be better spent with the filing of a Notice of Appeal.

Also, I would ask that you do not include me in your direct communications with Mrs. Thomas regarding your requests for support and/or other parenting issues and disputes. I am neither your or Mrs. Thomas' attorney, nor is it my duty to mediate your ongoing disputes.

Sincerely,

Hon. Holly J. Henze

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hhenze@adamscountyil.gov

From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

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To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc: Gwendolyn Thomas <gwentthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

Subject: Hearing

Judge,

I will need to prepare and file an emergency motion. I would like time tomorrow if possible. I have pleaded for assistance and the order this morning does nothing to address it. My check engine light came on this morning and I have no money for repairs. I am absolutely dumbfounded. If you have time this afternoon for a conference call, I'll make myself available.

Luke Thomas

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Re: Hearing

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

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To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

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Judge,

Thank you for the response. I have noted your instruction on communication and will abide by the same.

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Mr. Thomas,

I have no time available to schedule a hearing tomorrow (Friday, January 19).

With all due respect, the Judgment did in fact address your request for funds, both on an "emergency" and on a permanent basis. Just because you do not like nor agree with my findings and rulings does not mean the issues were not addressed. I would suggest that your efforts would be better spent with the filing of a Notice of Appeal.

Also, I would ask that you do not include me in your direct communications with Mrs. Thomas regarding your requests for support and/or other parenting issues and disputes. I am neither your or Mrs. Thomas' attorney, nor is it my duty to mediate your ongoing disputes.

Sincerely,

Hon. Holly J. Henze

521 Vermont Street

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hhenze@adamscountyil.gov

From: Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 10:10 AM

To: Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Cc: Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>; Alison Vawter <alison@alisonvawterlaw.com>

Subject: Hearing

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Luke Thomas

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Hearing

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Date Thu 1/18/2024 10:09 AM

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Hearing

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>

Date Fri 1/19/2024 11:34 AM

To Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>; Denise Barr <barrd@ticebarr.com>

Just wanted to confirm the Zoom meeting credentials. I have logged on using the credentials on the order and the Cass credentials provided in the divorce case.

Thanks

Luke

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Re: IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15

From Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>**Date** Sun 1/21/2024 7:59 AM**To** Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>**Cc** Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Judge,

I object. Luke is no longer indigent. He is employed. A finding was made he was voluntarily underemployed.

Luke's Application misstates his earnings. Based on the email he submitted after the filing of his pre-trial memorandum, he earns slightly over \$1800 every two weeks. The Application requested he list his gross earnings not his net.

Luke's health insurance appears to be taken out of his earnings. Luke stated his treatment was suspended. Since [REDACTED] has lived with Luke, Luke has reported insurance covered all expenses. Luke has not reimbursed me any expenses for the kids. As it is listed Luke has subtracted insurance premiums twice — once by listing his net, and second by listing \$500 as an expense.

Child support is currently reserved. He's receiving a financial benefit by not having to provide for his daughters. Any court costs associated with an appeal or any other cases/pleadings should be borne by Luke.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gwen

On Sun, Jan 21, 2024 at 4:14 AM Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Judge,

I have attached a courtesy copy of my Illinois Supreme Court Rule 298 Application for Waiver of Court Fees, Costs, and Charges in form and content as prescribed under Rule 298(a)(1) and as approved by the Illinois Supreme Court and the Supreme Court Commission on Access to Justice.

⁰³⁶ Once you have entered the order, I ask that you please provide me with a courtesy copy of the same when transmitting it to the Clerk or otherwise request the Clerk to provide the same without delay or additional request from me.

I have copied the Petitioner on this correspondence and attachments.

Thank you for your time and prompt attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

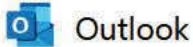
Luke Thomas

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Gwendolyn M. Thomas, Attorney
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Re: IRMO Thomas 2022-DC-15

From Luke Thomas <thomaslitigation2022@gmail.com>
Date Sun 1/21/2024 8:25 AM
To Gwendolyn Thomas <gwenthomaslaw@gmail.com>
Cc Holly Henze <hhenze@adamscountyil.gov>

Judge,

I apologize transmitting a courtesy copy of the filing has elicited another contested email exchange. I will avoid responding to Gwen's allegations out of respect for your recent directive we do not do so.

I am at a loss why this occurred. Gwen does not have standing to raise any objection under Rule 298. As an officer of the court, I don't know why Gwen would think a legal strategy to prevent a party from access to the justice system, appeal or otherwise, is proper, especially when there is no prejudice to her and many of the transcripts have been previously prepared at no charge.

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