UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NICOLAS DAVID MENDEZ KNOX,

Plaintiff,

v.

FRANK BISIGNANO, Commissioner of Social Security

Defendant.

Case No. 1:26-cv-05974-EGC

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

(Doc. 2)

Plaintiff Nicolas David Mendez Knox filed a complaint on July 30, 2026, along with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Docs. 1, 2). Plaintiff's application demonstrates entitlement to proceed without prepayment of fees.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED; and
2. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to issue a summons, the Consent/Decline forms, and the Scheduling Order. Service on the defendant shall proceed under the Court's E-Service program as follows: once a summons is issued, the Clerk of Court shall deliver to the Commissioner of Social Security Administration and the United States Attorney's Office at their designated email addresses, a notice of electronic filing of the action along with the summons and complaint.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **August 3, 2026**

Erin Dey Castillo

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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