

Roster of Vexatious Litigants

This roster of vexatious litigants is created and maintained pursuant to N.D. Sup. Ct. Admin. R. 58 (9).

Litigant Name	Case Number	Issuing Judge	Date of Order	Details of Order
Timothy Betz	08-03-C-2228	G. Hagerty	April 24, 2017	Timothy Betz is prohibited from filing any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents.
Randy Holkesvig	Supreme Court No. 20170161	Supreme Court	April 26, 2017	Randy Holkesvig is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court where the litigation is proposed to be filed.
Jacky Sande Deceased Nov. 5, 2019	51-01-P-00042	C. Feland	March 23, 2018	Jacky Sande is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, Ms. Sande may file an application seeking leave to file documents.

Eric N. Smith	09-2015-DM-01321	F. Racek	April 23, 2018	Eric N. Smith is prohibited from filing new documents in the matter of Eric N. Smith vs. Emily R. Erickson without leave of the court; However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents in the present case, by first obtaining leave of the district judge or judicial referee assigned to 09-2015-DM-01321.
Antonio Raheem Matthews	18-2017-CV-03040	D. Hager	July 11, 2018	Antonio Raheem Matthews is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Matthews fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.

Randy Scott Jensen	18-2018-CV-00654; 18-2015-CR-02678; 18-2016-CR-00379 and 18-2016-CR-00480	D. Hager	July 11, 2018	Randy Scott Jensen is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Randy Scott Jensen fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.
Sean Michael Kovalevich	18-2018-CV-02728; 18-2015-CV-02064 and 18-2012-CR-03069	D Hager	August 6, 2019	Sean Michael Kovalevich is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the

				litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Sean Michael Kovalevich fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.
Rodney Ray Chisholm	18-2018-CV-00309	D. Hager	January 28, 2020	Rodney Ray Chisholm is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Rodney Ray Chisholm fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.
Marlene Betz	08-03-C-2228	G. Hagerty	December 30, 2019	Marlene Betz is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave

				of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, she may file an application seeking leave to file documents.
Tilmer Everett	08-2020-CV-03155	B. Romanick	January 26, 2021	Tilmer Everett is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents.
Dean Benter	02-2020-CV-00208	D. Narum	December 18, 2020	Dean Benter is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Dean Benter may file an application seeking leave to file documents in the present case.
Mark Rath	08-2012-DM-00078	B. Romanick	May 7, 2021	Mark Rath is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents. The Supreme Court vacated the vexatious litigant order by

				Judge B. Romanick on May 26, 2022. Supreme Court entered their own order on July 6, 2022.
Mark Rath	SC No. 20210120	Supreme Court	July 6, 2022	Mark Rath is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents. It is further ordered that Kayla Jones is relieved from responding to any future or pending motion or pleadings filed in district court by Mark Rath, unless the district court reviews the motion or pleadings, determines a filing may have merit, and in writing permits Mark Rath's filing and requests a response.

Allen Betz; Marlene Betz and Timothy Betz	08-2003-C-02228	B. Weiler	September 30, 2021	It is ordered that Timothy Betz, Allen Betz, and Marlene Betz are prohibiting (<i>sic</i>) filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as self-represented parties without first obtaining leave of the judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. They may file an application seeking leave to file documents. Vacated by Supreme Court as to Allen Betz only on April 28, 2022 and remanded to the presiding judge of the judicial district for further consideration.
Allen Betz; Marlene Betz and Timothy Betz (referred to as the "Betz's")	21-2010-P-00017	W. Herauf	October 12, 2021	Absent an order from the Court, the Betz's cannot file any further pleadings, as they have been found to be vexatious litigants. Further, the Betz's are cautioned that any further filings that do not have additional or new facts which have not been raised before the District Courts or the Supreme Court of North Dakota in the past, will result in an Order to Show Cause as to why they should not be held in contempt of court.
Allen Betz	08-03-C-02228	B. Romanick	July 6, 2022	Reissued Order that Allen Betz is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigations in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed.

				<p>However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents. The trustees are relieved from responding to any motion or pleadings filed in the district court by Allen Betz, unless the District Court reviews the motion or pleadings, determines the filing has merit, and in writing, permits Allen Betz's filing and requests a response.</p>
Thomas Pinkney	18-2021-CV-2186	D. Hager	November 12, 2021	<p>Thomas Pinkney is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Thomas Pinkney fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.</p>

Leroy Kenneth Wheeler	18-2021-CV-379 18-2021-389 18-2021-CV-391	D. Hager	December 22, 2021	Leroy Kenneth Wheeler is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Leroy Kenneth Wheeler fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.
Garron Gonzalez	08-2018-CV-00604	B. Romanick	January 3, 2022, actual file date February 3, 2022	Gonzalez is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigations in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents. The State is relieved from responding to any motion or pleadings filed in District Court by

				Gonzalez, unless the District Court reviews the motion or pleadings, determines the filing has merit, and in writing permits Gonzalez's filing and requests a response.
Cody Michael Atkins	18-2021-CV-1260	D. Hager	January 4, 2022	Cody Michael Atkins is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Cody Michael Atkins fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.

Levi Keith Mayo	09-2021-DM-00094	J. Irby	May 31, 2022	Mr. Mayo is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, he may file an application seeking leave to file documents.
Gifty Giadyu	09-2022-CV-01686	J. Irby	August 9, 2022	Mr. Giadyu is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. However, she may file an application seeking leave to file documents.

Christian Sky	30-2022-CV-478	B. Romanick	August 15, 2022	Christian Sky is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed. He may file an application seeking leave to file documents. The State of North Dakota, in this matter, and any other party in other litigation with Mr. Sky, is relieved to any motion or pleadings filed in District Court by Christian Sky, unless the District Court reviews the motion or pleadings, determines the filing has merit, and in writing, permits Christian Sky's filings and requests a response.
Sue Demers Cahill	40-02-C-00221	D. Foughty	October 5, 2022	Sue Demers Cahill is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless she first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any documents in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of

				harassment or delay. If Sue Demers Cahill fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.
Amy Jo Yates	09-2022-CV-02568	J. Irby	November 3, 2022	Amy Jo Yates is prohibited from filing new documents without leave of the court. She is prohibited from filing any new petitions for name change in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Petitioner may file an application seeking leave to file documents in the present case, or new cases by first obtaining leave of the district judge assigned or of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Before ruling on the merits of any subsequent filing, the court must rule on the application for leave to file.
Shane Lance Yates	09-2022-CV-02567	J. Irby	November 3, 2022	Shane Lance Yates is prohibited from filing new documents without leave of the court. He is prohibited from filing any new petitions for name change in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Petitioner may file an application

				seeking leave to file documents in the present case, or new cases by first obtaining leave of the district judge assigned or of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Before ruling on the merits of any subsequent filing, the court must rule on the application for leave to file.
Joseph Edward Glaum	18-97-K-02099; 18-98-K-00330; 18-07-K02786; 18-08-K-2002; 18-2019-DM-00566	D. Hager	May 4, 2023	Joseph Edward Glaum is prohibited from filing any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file and the court approves such filing. A judge may permit the filing of new litigation or any document in existing litigation only if it appears the litigation or document has merit and has not been filed for the purpose of harassment or delay. If Joseph Edward Glaum fails to obtain prior written permission before filing new litigation or any documents in existing litigation, the Court may dismiss the action and impose punishment as contempt of court.

Glen Sidney Solberg	SC No. 20230289 53-2020-CV-00551	Supreme Court	July 19, 2024	Glen Sidney Solberg is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation and documents are proposed to be filed, or if the proposed filing is in the North Dakota Supreme Court, from a Justice of the North Dakota Supreme Court. He may file an application seeking leave to file documents.
Christopher Bauer	53-2024-CV-01882	R. Schmidt	July 28, 2025	Christopher Bauer is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in exiting litigation in the courts of this state as a self-represented party without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court in the district where the litigation is proposed to be filed, unless he first files an application with the court requesting leave to file. He is allowed to file an application seeking leave to file and before ruling on the merits of any subsequent filing, the court shall rule on the application for leave to file. In order to file new litigation or documents into existing litigation, Mr. Bauer must file an application for leave to file using the form approved by the state court administrator. The documents Mr. Bauer seeks to file must be submitted separately from the application for leave to file. The documents Mr. Bauer seeks to file will not be docketed unless the court grants the application for leave to file.

Terica Holmes	45-2025-JV-00004	W. Herauf	August 28, 2025	<p>Terica Holmes is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in exiting litigation in this state without first obtaining leave of a Judge of the Court where the litigation is proposed to be filed. The exception is that Holmes will be allowed to file an application seeking leave to file. It is noted that before any ruling on the merits can be made on any subsequent filing, the court must first rule on the application for leave to file. An award of all costs of the vexatious litigation can be awarded against Holmes. Lastly, there may be an award of all reasonable attorney's fees and costs associated with responding to the vexatious litigant including the costs of seeking a pre-filing order. In order for Holmes to file new litigation or documents into the existing litigation, Holmes must file an application for leave to file using the form approved by the State Court Administrator. The documents that Holmes would seek to file must be submitted separately from the application for leave to file. The documents that Holmes would seek to file will not be docketed unless a Court grants the application for leave to file.</p>

Seth Neil Helgeson	45-2025-TR-01241	W. Herauf	September 9, 2025	Seth Helgeson is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in this State without first obtaining leave from a Judge of the Court where the litigation is or is proposed to be filed. The exception is Helgeson will be allowed to file an application seeking leave to file. It is noted, before any ruling on the merits can be made on any subsequent filing, the Court must first rule on the application for leave to file further, and award of all costs of the vexatious litigation can be awarded against Helgeson. There may be an award of all reasonable Attorney's fees and costs associated with the responding to the vexatious litigant, including the costs of seeking pre-filing order. In order for Helgeson to file new litigation or documents into the existing litigation, Helgeson must file an application or leave to file using the form approved by the State Court Administrator. The documents that Helgeson would seek to file must be submitted separately from the application for leave to file. The documents that Helgeson would seek to file will not be docketed unless the Court grants the application for leave to file.
Melissa McGahey	13-2023-CV-00135	W. Herauf	Sept. 26, 2025	McGahey is to be prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in this State without first obtaining leave of a Judge of the Court where the litigation is proposed to be filed, or the Judge who is assigned to a case in which McGahey wants to file documents. The exception is that McGahey will be

				<p>allowed to file an application seeking leave to file. an award of all costs of the vexatious litigation can be awarded against McGahey. There may be an award of all reasonable attorney's fees and costs associated with responding to the vexatious litigant including the costs of seeking a prefiling order. The clerk may not file any litigation presented by McGahey unless McGahey first obtains an order permitting the filing. If the clerk mistakenly files the litigation without the order, any party may file a notice stating that McGahey or McGahey as complaining party in a disciplinary proceeding, is a vexatious litigant subject to a prefiling order. The filing of such notice automatically stays the litigation. The litigation must be dismissed or denied unless McGahey obtains an order permitting the litigation to proceed within 10 days of the filing of the notice. If a party is served with new litigation, but the action has not been filed with the clerk, the parties served are not required to respond to the new litigation unless McGahey obtains an order allowing the litigation to be filed, and files and serves the new litigation.</p> <p>Upon receiving an application for leave to file, and upon notice from any party named in the litigation, the Court must rule on the application before ruling on the merits of any proposed filing. Disobedience of a prefiling order entered under this Rule may be punished as a contempt of court. If McGahey files any new litigation without</p>
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Jordan J. Lewandowski	39-2021-DM-00042	D. Narum	December 29, 2025	Mr. Lewandowski is prohibited from filing any new litigation or any new documents in existing litigation in this state without first obtaining leave of a judge of the court where the litigation is proposed to be filed. Mr. Lewandowski may file an application seeking leave to file documents in the present case and future cases, by first obtaining leave. Before ruling on the merits of any subsequent filing, the Court must rule on the application for leave to file.

Roster of Litigants Subject to Pre-Filing Restrictions

This roster of litigants subject to pre-filing restrictions includes litigants who are prohibited from filing documents without prior approval by a North Dakota district court judge. The orders in these cases pre-date the adoption of N.D. Sup. Ct. Admin. R. 58 on March 1, 2017.

Litigant Name	Case Number	Issuing Judge	Date of Order	Details of Order
Randy Holkesvig	Supreme Court 2015-ND-67 and District Court 18-2014-CV-00519	Supreme Court	March 24, 2015	Randy Holkesvig may not commence any actions in North Dakota state court without prior approval of the presiding district court judge of the Northeast Central Judicial District, or his designee. Actions involving the subject matter of or the defendants in his cases listed above may not be approved. Repetitive or frivolous actions may not be approved.
Angela L. Hansen f/k/a Angela L. Dieterle	42-2011-DM-21 and others	D. Reich	April 12, 2016	Angela Hansen is prohibited from filing any claim, motion or document in Sheridan County, or in any other county, related to the issues of primary residential responsibility and/or parenting time regarding B.L.D., without first obtaining permission from the district court of the county in which she is attempting to file.
Gary Stibbe	09-2014-CV-03152	S. Bailey	July 5, 2016	Gary Stibbe is enjoined from filing or serving any complaint, motion or other legal process against any person or entity in this state without first either (1) obtaining prior approval from an

				active North Dakota judge; or (2) obtaining the services of a practicing North Dakota lawyer
Anthony James Moore	09-01-K-02551	S. McCullough	October 25, 2016	<p>The Clerk of the Cass County District Court is prohibited from filing any letter, request, demand, motion, pleading or other filing from Anthony James Moore until notified by this Court otherwise.</p> <p>Any correspondence from Anthony James Moore citing the discovery of new evidence or retroactive jurisprudence is to be directed to Judge McCullough for review and determination if any action is required</p>