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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

DANIEL CAOUETTE,

Plaintiff,

v. NO.: D-202-CV-2024-02170

NEW MEXICO CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES DEPT.,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING THE NEW MEXICO CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT'S MOTION TO DISMISS
AND
ORDER DETERMINING PLAINTIFF IS A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT AND PROHIBITING PLAINTIFF FROM ANY FUTURE FILINGS IN THIS CASE WITHOUT COURT PERMISSION OR REPRESENTATION BY LEGAL COUNSEL

Before the Court is Defendant *New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department's* (CYFD) *Motion to Dismiss* (Motion), filed August 16, 2024. The Court, having considered the motion, determining Plaintiff filed an identical case in this Court, in Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133, which was closed and dismissed a year ago, on August 21, 2023, determining no hearing is necessary,[1] and being sufficiently advised, finds that the Motion is well taken and is **GRANTED. Further, Daniel Caouette, this Court determining he is a vexatious litigant, may not file any further motions, notices, documentation, papers or pleadings in this matter absent permission by this Court or representation by a licensed attorney. This matter is closed and dismissed with prejudice.**

[1] The Court has determined no hearing is necessary. *See Flagstar Bank v. Licha*, 2015-NMCA-086, ¶¶ 28 & 29, 356 P.3d 1102 (stating no authority requires district court to hold a hearing on motions). *See also* LR 2-119(E) NMRA.

This Court concludes, for a second time,[2] that Daniel Caouette is a vexatious litigant and orders he may not file any further motions, notices, documentation, papers or pleadings in this matter absent Court permission or representation by an attorney. "[T]he district court [has] authority to enjoin future vexatious and oppressive litigation." *State ex rel. Bardacke v. Welsh*, 1985-NMCA-028, ¶ 16, 102 N.M. 592, 698 P.2d 462. Litigants may be restricted from unfettered access to the courts when conduct is determined "'to rise to the level of abuse, impeding the normal and essential functioning of the judicial process.'" *Id.* ¶ 18 (quoted authority omitted). Plaintiff Caouette's litigation history, in this Court and around the State, demonstrates abuse of the judicial system that impedes the normal and essential functioning of the judicial process, and the normal and essential functioning of State, City, and local entities around the State that are subject to Plaintiff's relentless use and abuse of statutory public-record requests. The litany of cases Mr. Caouette has filed, including this case, constitute a pattern and practice of vexatious, abusive, harassing, and frivolous litigation. While not exhaustive, since 2016 Plaintiff has filed approximately seventeen (17) cases in the Second Judicial District Court, and over ninety (90) cases in other districts around the State of New Mexico. Of the over one-hundred cases identified, approximately seventy-six (76) of these cases were grounded in claims under the Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA), NMSA 1978, §§ 14-2-1 to -12 (1947, as amended). Virtually every one, of the over 100 cases filed, was dismissed on a defense motion to dismiss, a failure to comply with court order or procedure, and/or a failure to prosecute.

A sample of the cases filed in the Second Judicial District Court are as follows:

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[2] This Court found Plaintiff Daniel Caouette a vexatious litigant a year ago in an identical case. *See Order Granting the New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department's Motion to Dismiss*, entered Aug. 21, 2023, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133 (O'Connell, J.). Plaintiff did ***not*** appeal the dismissal of his case or determination that he is a vexatious litigant in D-202-CV-2022-03133.

	CASE NUMBER	CASE CAPTION	Case Type
1	D-202-CV-2017-01107	Daniel P. Caouette v. Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners, and Bernalillo County Metropolitan Detention Center	**Tort**
2	D-202-CV-2017-03467	Daniel Caouette v. Desiree Bernal, Fidel Bernal, Alberta Bernal, and Clulli Vanessa Bernal	**Tort**
3	D-202-CV-2020-04983	Daniel Caouette v. Bernalillo County Bd of Commrs	**IPRA**
4	D-202-CV-2022-00279	Daniel Caouette v. Jennifer Barela, Managing Attorney, and Law Offices of the Public Defenders (LOPD)	**Complaint for Malpractice**
5	D-202-CV-2022-02771	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico District Attorney Office	**IPRA**
6	D-202-CV-2022-02783	Daniel Caouette v. Prisoner Transport Services	**IPRA**
7	D-202-CV-2022-03133	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Children Youth & Families Dept.	**IPRA**
8	D-202-CV-2022-03174	Daniel Caouette v. Albuquerque Public Schools	**IPRA**
9	D-202-CV-2022-03556	Daniel Caouette v. Law office of the Public Defender	**IPRA**
10	D-202-CV-2022-04710	Daniel Caouette v. Jennifer Barela	**Tort**
11	D-202-CV-2023-00687	Daniel Caouette v. Unknown Name Record Custodian Known as "CoR4"; Albuquerque Public Schools	**IPRA**
12	D-202-CV-2023-02233	Daniel Caouette v. Prisoner Transport Services	**IPRA**
13	D-202-CV-2023-06345	Daniel Caouette v. Jason Greenlee, General Counsel; and Second Judicial District Attorney Office	**IPRA**
14	D-202-CV-2023-06384	Daniel Caouette v. Judy Gonzales, Record Custodian, Law Offices of the Public Defender (LOPD)	**IPRA**
15	D-202-CV-2023-07825	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Livestock Board and Daniel Trujillo, Record Custodian	**IPRA**
16	D-202-CV-2024-00370	Daniel Caouette v. Albuquerque Public Schools	**IPRA**
17	D-202-CV-2024-02170	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Youth and Families Department	**IPRA**

And a sample of the cases filed in other districts around the State of New Mexico are as follows:

	CASE NUMBER	CASE CAPTION	Case Type
1	D-506-CV-2019-00237	Caouette, Daniel v. Sims, Dwight, Warden; and State of New Mexico	**Habeas Corpus**
2	D-506-CV-2019-01099	Daniel Caouette v. Office of the District Attorney. Lisa Trabaudo, Kari Brandenburg, and Haley Murphy	**Tort**
3	D-506-CV-2019-01123	Daniel Caouette v. State of New Mexico Children, Youth & Families Department, and Kathleen Hardy	**Tort**
4	D-506-CV-2019-01570	Daniel Caouette v. State of New Mexico and Dwayne Santistevan, Warden, Lea County Correctional Facility	**Habeas Corpus**
5	D-506-CV-2020-00100	Daniel Caouette v. The Geo Group, Inc., and Dwayne Santistevan	**IPRA**
6	D-506-CV-2020-00101	Daniel Caouette v. Christina Argyres	**Tort**
7	D-506-CV-2020-00105	Daniel Caouette v. Albuquerque Police Department, and Detective Maureen O'Brien	**Tort**
8	D-506-CV-2020-00486	Daniel Caouette v. Northern New Mexico Correction Center	**IPRA**
9	D-506-CV-2020-00508	Daniel Caouette v. State of New Mexico Correction Department	**IPRA**
10	D-506-CV-2020-00509	Daniel Caouette v. Chaves County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
11	D-506-CV-2020-00510	Daniel Caouette v. Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office and Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
12	D-506-CV-2020-00526	Daniel Caouette v. Guadalupe County Correctional Facility	**IPRA**
13	D-506-CV-2020-00530	Daniel Caouette v. City of Albuquerque	**IPRA**
14	D-506-CV-2020-00557	Daniel Caouette v. Curry County	**IPRA**
15	D-506-CV-2020-00558	Daniel Caouette v. De Baca County	**IPRA**
16	D-506-CV-2020-00559	Daniel Caouette v. Quay County	**IPRA**
17	D-506-CV-2020-00560	Daniel Caouette v. Colfax County	**IPRA**
18	D-506-CV-2020-00561	Daniel Caouette v. Law Office of the Public Defender	**IPRA**
19	D-506-CV-2020-00566	Daniel Caouette v. Catron County	**IPRA**
20	D-506-CV-2020-	Daniel Caouette v. Bernalillo County	**IPRA**

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21	D-506-CV-2020-00647	Daniel Caouette v. Eddy County	**IPRA**
22	D-506-CV-2020-00648	Daniel Caouette v. Lincoln County	**IPRA**
23	D-506-CV-2020-00649	Daniel Caouette v. Sierra County	**IPRA**
24	D-506-CV-2020-00650	Daniel Caouette v. San Miguel County	**IPRA**
25	D-506-CV-2020-00651	Daniel Caouette v. Santa Fe County	**IPRA**
26	D-506-CV-2020-00652	Daniel Caouette v. McKinley County	**IPRA**
27	D-506-CV-2020-00653	Daniel Caouette v. Mora County	**IPRA**
28	D-506-CV-2020-00654	Daniel Caouette v. Rio Arriba County	**IPRA**
29	D-506-CV-2020-00672	Daniel Caouette v. Sandoval County	**IPRA**
30	D-506-CV-2020-00673	Daniel Caouette v. Socorro County	**IPRA**
31	D-506-CV-2020-00695	Daniel Caouette v. Keith Manes, Lea County Clerk, (in his official capacity)	**Marriage License, writ of Mandamus**
32	D-506-CV-2020-00779	Daniel Caouette v. Nyvia Barraza	**IPRA**
33	D-506-CV-2020-01020	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Department of Corrections	**Tort**
34	D-506-CV-2020-01032	Daniel Caouette v. Lea County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
35	D-506-CV-2020-01033	Daniel Caouette v. Lea County Board of Commissioners	**Civil Complaint**
36	D-506-CV-2021-00856	Daniel Caouette v. State of New Mexico, Jennifer Barela, LOPD, and Haley Murphy, D.A.	**Civil Complaint**
37	D-506-CV-2021-00938	Daniel Caouette v. Alicia Tafoya	**Writ of Mandamus**
38	D-506-CV-2022-00242	Daniel Caouette v. Geo Group, Inc., and Ms. Collins	**Tort**
39	D-506-CV-2023-00259	Daniel Caouette v. Geo Group, Inc., Mr. Brown, Program Warden, and Ms. Collins, Property Ofc.	**Declaratory Relief**
40	D-506-CV-2023-00351	Daniel Caouette v. Lea County Board of Commissioners, John Caldwell, Lea County	**IPRA**

		Records Custodian	
41	D-506-CV-2023-00412	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Corrections Department	**IPRA**
42	D-506-CV-2024-00337	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. Children, Youth & Families Department, and Kathleen Hardy, Chief Records Officer	**IPRA**
43	D-101-CV-2020-02616	Daniel Caouette v. Joey Moya	**IPRA**
44	D-101-CV-2022-00700	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico State Police	**IPRA**
45	D-101-CV-2022-00710	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Inspector General's Office	**IPRA**
46	D-101-CV-2022-00981	Daniel Caouette v. The Geo Group, Inc; New Mexico Corrections Department; and Brian Fitzgerald, in his capacity as records custodian for the New Mexico Corrections Department	**IPRA**
47	D-101-CV-2023-02374	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Tax and Revenue Department, and Unknown Name Record Custodian	**IPRA**
48	D-101-CV-2024-00620	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Compilation Commission and Records Custodian for the Compilation Commission	**IPRA**
49	D-101-CV-2024-00699	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Corrections Department	**IPRA**
50	D-101-CV-2024-00919	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. Officer of African American Affairs (OAAA), and Lecilic J. Carrillo, Records Custodian for OAAA	**IPRA**
51	D-101-CV-2024-01043	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Administration Office of the Courts and Records Custodian for Administrative Office of the Courts	**IPRA**
52	D-101-CV-2024-01711	Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Crime Victims Reparations Commissions, and Frank Zubia, Director/Records Custodian	**IPRA**
53	D-101-CV-2024-01928	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. Early Childhood Education and Care Department, and Debra Martinez	**IPRA**
54	D-101-CV-2024-01936	Justin Miller and Daniel Caouette v. New Mexico Compilation Commission, and Records Custodian for the Compilation Commission	**IPRA**
55	D-504-CV-2020-00584	Daniel Caouette v. Chaves County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
56	D-504-CV-2024-	Daniel Caouette v. Lake Arthur Municipal	**IPRA**

	00077	School and Unknown Name Records Custodian	
57	D-117-CV-2020-00182	Daniel Caouette v. Rio Arriba County	**IPRA**
58	D-117-CV-2023-00218	Daniel Caouette v. Rio Arriba County Board of Commissioners, and Linda J. Padilla, Clerk	**IPRA**
59	D-1027-CV-2022-00007	Daniel Caouette v. De Baca County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
60	D-1314-CV-2020-00787	Daniel Caouette v. Valencia County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
61	D-721-CV-2020-00149	Daniel Caouette v. Sierra County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
62	D-721-CV-2023-00059	Daniel Caouette v. Dora Miranda, Clerk, and Sierra County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
63	D-809-CV-2020-00158	Daniel Caouette v. Colfax County Board of County Commissioners	**IPRA**
64	D-809-CV-2024-00040	Daniel Caouette v. Penasco Independent School Dist; and Unknown Name Record Custodian	**IPRA**
65	D-905-CV-2020-00432	Daniel Caouette v. Curry County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
66	D-1215-CV-2016-00886	Daniel Caouette v. Deputy Warden Simmons, warden Richardo Martinez, Contract Monitor V. Bernal, State of New Mexico Corrections Dept. Management and Training Corporation	**Tort**
67	D-1215-CV-2016-00887	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Warden; Daniel Peters, Deputy Warden; Security Staff and Administrative Staff	**Tort**
68	D-1215-CV-2017-00062	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Warden, C. Pascale MHA, and Vanessa Bernal, Contract Monitor	**Tort**
69	D-1215-CV-2017-00073	Daniel Caouette v. Officer Corncha; Sgt. Moya; and Ricardo Martinez, Warden	**Tort**
70	D-1215-CV-2017-00074	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Warden, and Management Training Corporation	**Tort**
71	D-01215-CV-2017-00155	Daniel Caouette v. Officer Concha, Sgt. Moya, and Warden Ricardo Martinez	**Tort**
72	D-1215-CV-2017-00180	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Ms. Bernal, Ms. Pascale, and Jerry Roark	**Tort**
73	D-1215-CV-2017-	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Jerry	**Tort**

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74	D-1215-CV-2017-00246	Daniel Caouette v. MS. Pascale, MHA; Ricardo Martinez, Warden; David Jablonski, Security NMCD; and Ms. Vanessa Bernal, Contract Monitor	**Tort**
75	D-1215-CV-2017-00249	Daniel Caouette v. Officer Jauregri, Captain Ochoa, and Warden Martinez	**Tort**
76	D-1215-CV-2017-00345	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Warden; David Jablonski, NMCD; Ken Wright; Keefe Sales John Puricelle, Vice President Keefe	**Tort**
77	D-1215-CV-2017-00412	Daniel Caouette v. Jerry Roark	**Tort**
78	D-1215-CV-2017-00438	Daniel Caouette v. Ricardo Martinez, Warden; Management Training Corp; New Mexico Corrections Dept.	**Tort**
79	D-1215-CV-2018-00624	Daniel Caouette v. Otero County Prison Facility	**Writ of Mandamus**
80	D-1215-CV-2018-00667	Daniel Caouette v. Linda Nolasco; and Ricardo Martinez, in their official capacities	**IPRA**
81	D-1215-CV-2018-00695	Daniel Caouette v. Otero County Board of Commissioners; Otero County Manager, Pamela Heltner,	**Tort**
82	D-424-CV-2018-00007	New Mexico Corrections Department Security Staff and Warden of Guadalupe County Correctional Facility	**Tort**
83	D-608-CV-2024-00055	Daniel Caouette v. Cobre Consolidated Schools	**IPRA**
84	D-619-CV-2020-0027	Daniel Caouette v. Luna County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
85	D-619-CV-2020-00217	Dainel Caouette v. Luna County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
86	D-623-CV-2024-00005	Daniel Caouette v. Lordsburg Municipal Schools; and Unknown Name Records Custodian	**IPRA**
87	D-1226-CV-2021-00039	Daniel Caouette v. Lincoln County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
88	D-1226-CV-2023-00310	Daniel Caouette v. Captain Municipal Schools	**IPRA**
89	D-1010-CV-2020-	Daniel Caouette v. Quay County Board of	**IPRA**

	00081	Commissioners	
90	D-1113-CV-2020-00381	Daniel Caouette v. McKinley County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
91	D-1333-CV-2020-00191	Daniel Caouette v. Cibola County Board of Commissioners	**IPRA**
92	D-430-CV-2020-00022	Daniel Caouette v. Mora County	**IPRA**

The Court agrees with Defendant CYFD in finding Plaintiff, in the filing of this case, violated the injunction entered by Judge Stone in the Fifth Judicial District, which prohibited Daniel Caouette from filing any pro se complaints in State District Courts absent representation by an attorney or prior approval from the Court in the particular judicial district where Plaintiff intended to bring suit. *See Order Granting Catron County's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint to Enforce Provisions of the Inspection of Public Records Act*, in *Caouette v. Catron County*, entered Dec. 3, 2020, Case No. D-506-CV-2020-00566, before the Honorable Michael H. Stone, attached as **Exhibit 1**.

While Judge Stone recently lifted the injunction prohibiting Plaintiff from instituting actions absent an attorney, in an order entered June 26, 2024, in Case No. D-506-CV-2020-00566, attached as **Exhibit 2**, Plaintiff filed dozens of cases, including this one, while enjoined under Judge Stone's order and being fully aware of this prohibition. For example, this Court dismissed a different IPRA case filed by Plaintiff for violation of Judge Stone's order in 2022, in *Caouette v. Prisoner Transport Services*, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-02783 (O'Connell, J.), in an *Order of Dismissal* entered Nov. 14, 2022.

Further, Plaintiff's abuse of the legal system is evident as this Court dismissed Plaintiff's claims against CYFD in an identical case filed by Plaintiff in 2022, as reflected in *Caouette v. N.M. Children, Youth & Families Dept. (CYFD)*, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133 (O'Connell,

J.), in an order of dismissal entered Aug. 21, 2023. Despite a small degree of difference in the styling of his claims and allegations in Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133, the underlying facts, request for information from CYFD, and claims against CYFD are identical: This matter and Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133 both requested certain records from CYFD that Plaintiff maintains are public records he is entitled to by law and did not receive. *See Petition for the Production of Abuse and Neglect Records*, filed June 7, 2022, in *Caouette v. CYFD*, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133 (O'Connell, J.), attached as **Exhibit 3**. Filing a complaint in an effort to have another chance to litigate a claim already litigated lacks "good ground," violates Rule 1-011 NMRA, and may subject Plaintiff to court-ordered sanctions. Rule 1-011 sanctions deter litigation abuse, compensate victims, streamline court dockets, and facilitate case management. *Rivera v. Brazos Lodge Corp.*, 1991-NMSC-030, ¶ 14, 111 N.M. 670, 808 P. 2d 955. And in the identical case Plaintiff filed in 2022, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133, the Court, in addition to dismissing his case, found Plaintiff Daniel Caouette a vexatious litigant at that time. *See Order Granting the New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department's Motion to Dismiss*, entered Aug. 21, 2023, Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133, attached as **Exhibit 4**. Plaintiff neither appealed the dismissal of his case nor the determination he is a vexatious litigant in Case No. D-202-CV-2022-03133.

Judge James M. Hudson, of the Fifth Judicial District, recently raised concerns as to Plaintiff's actual or possible abuse of the IPRA in stating: "This case raises the specter of possible misuse of IPRA not for its stated purpose but for the improper purpose of manufacturing claims for damages and spurring needless or possibly baseless litigation." *Order Denying Prior Approval and Leave to Proceed Without Representation of Counsel, and Deferring Consideration of Request for Free Process*, entered Jan. 31, 2024, in *Caouette v. Lake Arthur*

Municipal Schools, Case No. D-504-CV-2024-00077 (Hudson, J.), attached as **Exhibit 5**. Judge Hudson, grounded in the plain language of IPRA and our case law, thoughtfully explained that the "purpose of IPRA is to ensure transparency of government activities by making public records available for inspection." *Id.* at 3, ¶ 8. But the IPRA is not for the purpose of "creat[ing] a platform to manufacture claims for damages." *Id.*; *see also id.* (denying Plaintiff Caouette's request to proceed pro se).

With Plaintiff Caouette filing close to 80 IPRA cases, spanning the course of his incarceration, against a vast array of governmental agencies, entities and bodies across the State, this Court shares Judge Hudson's concern that Plaintiff is engaging in abuse and misuse of the IPRA for the improper purpose of spurring frivolous litigation, grounded in vague or oblique IPRA requests to governmental entities with the hope of recovering a settlement windfall, in any amount, grounded in statutory fines and damages potentially available under the IPRA. Notably, rather than filing an appeal in the countless dismissals of his IPRA cases, Plaintiff appears to abandon them and go on to file yet another IPRA claim against yet another city, State, or local entity with hope for a different result.

Plaintiff's civil litigation history appears to have begun, and be consistent with, his term of incarceration that began in approximately 2015 on a felony plea in Case No. D-202-CR-2014-01263, in the Second Judicial District Court, in which he was sentenced to a term of 18 years.[3] Plaintiff's litigation history shown above shows he continued to serially file cases pro se in the Fifth Judicial District, and in any other Judicial District that would accept his pro se pleadings,

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[3] *See Judgment, Sentence and Commitment*, entered Apr. 28, 2025, in *State v. Caouette*, Case No. D-202-CR-2014-01263 (finding, pursuant to a guilty plea, Defendant Daniel Caoquette guilty of Criminal Sexual Penetration in the First Degree (Child Under 13), and sentencing Defendant to 18 years of imprisonment).

despite Judge Stone's 2020 Order and the dismissal of most every case he has filed across the State. Plaintiff's litigation history in this Judicial District and others reflects a pattern and practice of repetitive, abusive, frivolous, and vexatious lawsuits that strain judicial resources and are for the purpose of harassing governmental agencies and entities across the State. This Court can reasonably infer use of the IPRA for improper purposes from the filing of close to 80 IPRA cases, over a relatively short period of years, against dozens of city, State, and local entities, which have been dismissed and not appealed in all but a few cases. Plaintiff's litigation history more than suggests Plaintiff is utilizing the IPRA as a platform to manufacture claims for damages.

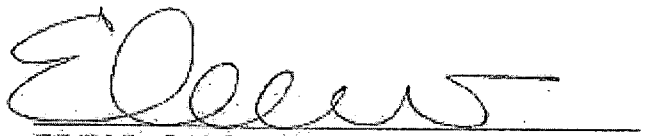
The filing excesses of vexatious litigants interfere with the orderly administration of justice by straining limited taxpayer resources utilized to operate courts and government agencies. This abusive conduct diverts limited judicial resources from the tens of thousands of litigants that are in need of timely resolution of their claims every year within an already-overburdened judicial system. Further, this conduct disrespects the overwhelming majority of litigants and citizens willing to follow court rules and orders in the filing and defense of claims grounded in a good-faith basis, as required by law.

Defendant CYFD's Motion is **GRANTED** and this case is dismissed with prejudice. **This Order disposes of all parties and resolves all claims and issues in this case, and is a final Order from which an appeal may be taken.**

Daniel Caouette, this Court determining he is a vexatious litigant, may not file any further motions, notices, documentation, papers or pleadings in this matter absent this Court's permission or representation by a licensed attorney.

This case is closed and dismissed.

SO ORDERED.



ERIN B. O'CONNELL
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

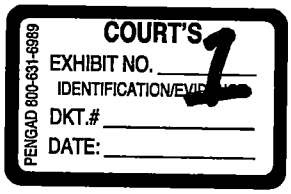
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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

DANIEL CAOUETTE,

Plaintiff,

D-506-CV-2020-00566
Judge Michael H. Stone

vs.

CATRON COUNTY,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING CATRON COUNTY'S MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE PROVISIONS OF THE INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

This matter having come before the Court on Defendant Catron County's May 19, 2020 Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint; the Court having reviewed the submissions of the parties and hearing argument, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises FINDS as follows:

1. Since March 24, 2020, the Plaintiff has filed 14 lawsuits in New Mexico's Fifth Judicial District against 14 separate counties.

2. On April 6, 2020, Plaintiff Caouette filed his Complaint against Catron County asserting claims under the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act in the Fifth Judicial District.

3. On May 19, 2020, Catron County moved to dismiss Plaintiff's complaint on the grounds that Catron County cannot be sued in New Mexico's Fifth Judicial District.

4. On October 15, 2020, the Court provided Plaintiff Caouette notice of a November 30, 2020, hearing on Catron County's Motion to Dismiss.

5. Plaintiff Caouette did not appear for the hearing.

6. Catron County's Motion to Dismiss is well taken and shall be granted.

7. Plaintiff's filing lawsuits against government entities in the wrong judicial district is contrary to New Mexico law and shows a pattern of conduct that is either vexatious, oppressive, or for the purpose of harassment and that the Court has authority under *State ex rel. Bardacke v. Welsh*, 1985-NMCA-028 to prohibit and enjoin Plaintiff from filing suits in the District Courts of New Mexico absent being represented by counsel.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Catron County's Motion to Dismiss is Granted, and this suit is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff is and shall be permanently enjoined from filing any *pro se* complaints in State District Courts of New Mexico absent representation by an attorney or prior approval from the Court in the particular judicial district Plaintiff intends to bring suit.

Michael H. Stone

HONORABLE MICHAEL A. STONE
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Respectfully submitted,

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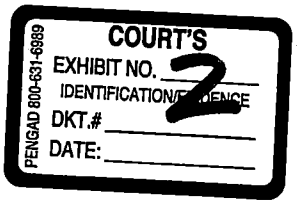
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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LEA

DANIEL CAOUETTE,

Plaintiff,

D-506-CV-2020-00566
Judge Michael H. Stone

vs.

CATRON COUNTY,

Defendant.

ORDER LIFTING PERMANENT INJUNCTION

THIS MATTER came before the Court upon Plaintiff's July 28, 2022, *Petition to Dismiss or Modify Court Order* (the "Petition"). The Petition asked this Court to reconsider a portion of its December 3, 2020, *Order Granting Catron County's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint to Enforce Provisions of the Inspection of Public Records Act* (the "Order"). The Order imposed a permanent injunction prohibiting the Plaintiff from filing any *pro se* lawsuits in the District Courts of the State of New Mexico absent judicial approval. The Plaintiff's Petition has now been fully briefed and a hearing held on May 9, 2024, which was attended by all Parties.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COURT FINDS:

1. While the Plaintiff had previously filed numerous IPRA Complaints in the wrong venue, he has since familiarized himself with the relevant law governing venue;

2. Plaintiff has successfully obtained judicial permission to file *pro se* IPRA Complaints in other cases, consistent with the Court's Order; and

3. Plaintiff's recent filings do not appear to be vexatious, oppressive, or for the purpose of harassment.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that the permanent injunction imposed by the Order is hereby lifted; the remainder of the Order, dismissing Plaintiff's claim against Catron County, remains in force and effect.

HONORABLE MICHAEL A. STONE
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Respectfully submitted:

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Second Judicial District
In the Childrens Court

Case: CV 2022 03133
Judge: ERIN B. O'CONNELL

Daniel Caouette
Petitioner

Petition For Production

v.

New Mexico Children Youth & Families Dept.
Respondent

In the Matter of: Guenevere and Nicolas Caouette

PETITION FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT RECORDS

1. Daniel Caouette brings these causes of action pursuant to the Childrens Code to petition the court for the production of records pursuant to the Children's Code General Provision Act NMSA 1978 §§ 32A-1-1 to 32A-24-5.

I. INTRODUCTION

2. It is the intent and focus of the New Mexico State legislature to first provide for the care, protection and wholesome mental and physical development of children coming within the provisions of the Children's Code and then to preserve the unity of the family whenever possible. A child's health and safety shall be paramount concern. Permanent separation of a child from the child's family however, would especially be considered when the child or another child of the parent has suffered permanent or severe injury or repeated abuse. It is the intent of the legislature that, to the maximum extent possible, children in New Mexico SHALL be reared as members of a family unit. NMSA, 1978 § 32A-1-3.

3. Daniel Caouette is the biological father of Guenevere Caouette (DOB: 09/19/04) and Nicolas Caouette (DOB: 07/23/06) who brings this action to compel production of records maintained or controlled by the New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department and for injunctive relief from the willful failure to produce abuse and neglect records that are exculpatory to Petitioners criminal case (D202CR2014 01206).

II. PARTIES, JURISDICTION & VENUE

4. Daniel Caouette is a New Mexico prison inmate housed at the Lea County Correctional Facility in Hobbs NM.

5. Guenevere Caouette was born in Albuquerque NM on

August 19, 2004. Her biological father is Daniel Caouette. The biological mother is Desiree Bernal. She one full blooded younger brother, Nicolas Caouette.

6. Nicolas Caouette was born in Albuquerque NM on July 23, 2006. His biological father is Daniel Caouette. His biological mother is Desiree Bernal. He has one sibling, Guenevere Caouette.

7. Upon belief and information both minors reside with their biological mother in Albuquerque, NM. Their last known address was: 1221 Landman Ct., NE, Albuquerque NM 87112

8. New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department ("CYFD") is a department of the state of New Mexico responsible for the protection of children in New Mexico and for the investigation of child abuse and neglect when it is reported to them.

9. The Childrens Court Division of the Second Judicial District Court has jurisdiction over this case pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 32A-1-5.

10. Venue lies in the Children's Court of Bernalillo County pursuant to NMSA 1978 32A-1-9(A).

11. This petition seeks a court order for the CYFD to produce investigative and conclusory records pursuant to NMSA 1978 32A-4-33.

III. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

12. On April 23 2014 Petitioner was convicted of Criminal Sexual Penetration of a minor in violation of NMSA 1978 § 30-9-11 pursuant to a guilty plea. (see D202-CR2014-01263)

13. Petitioner has always maintained his innocence to the charge and has diligently filed numerous post conviction motions and petitions without the proper records to back up his claims.

14. On April 14 2020 Petitioner filed a lawsuit against the Law Offices of the Public Defender and his former Attorney, Jennifer Barela for the disclosure of her attorney case file. Petitioner eventually settled that case on April 1, 2022 when his attorney produced her "entire attorney preparation file". See D506-CV-2020-00561

15. Petitioner discovered that his attorney rendered incompetent advice and accepted a guilty plea on behalf of Petitioner without collecting any medical reports, or CYFD records or investigational interviews reports.

16. All reports alleging neglect or abuse shall be referred to the [CYFD], which shall conduct an investigation to determine the best interest of the child with regard to any action to be taken. NMSA 1978 § 32A-4-4.

17. Upon the report of an alleged abuse of Guenevere Caouette by petitioner the CYFD conducted an exhaustive investigation. When they concluded their investigation they decided not to recommend the filing of a petition as required in NMSA 1978 § 32A-4-4(D).

18. CYFD along with All Faith's Receiving Home interviewed both children, their mother and Petitioner. They concluded that Nicolas would not provide a statement and that Guenevere was not truthful with her statements. The children were released to their mother and Petitioner was told there was no evidence of a crime.

19. Petitigner has never had his parental rights forfeited or terminated by any court. He maintains that he is not a custodial parent but has never litigated his rights.

COUNT ONE: VIOLATIONS TO 32A-4-33

20. Petitioner incorporates by reference the above allegations.

21. All records or information concerning a party to abuse or neglect proceeding, including social records, diagnostic evaluations, psychiatric or psychological reports, video tapes, transcripts and audio recordings of children statement of abuse or medical reports incident to or obtained as a result of a neglect or abuse proceeding or that were produced or obtained during an investigation in anticipation of or incident to a neglect proceeding shall be confidential and closed to the public. NMSA 1978 § 32A-4-33(A).

22. However, the records described in NMSA, 1978 32A-4-33(A) SHALL be disclosed to the parties and "[a] parent, guardian or legal custodian whose child has been the subject of an investigation of abuse or neglect where no petition has been filed SHALL have the RIGHT to inspect ANY medical reports, psychological evaluations, law enforcement reports or other investigative or diagnostic evaluations; provided that any identifying information shall be deleted. The parent guardian or legal custodian shall also have the RIGHT to the results of the investigation and the RIGHT to petition the court for full access to ALL [CYFD] RECORDS and information except those records and information the [CYFD] finds would be likely to endanger the life or safety of any person providing information to the department. NMSA 1978 § 32A-4-33(C) (capitalization added)

23. This is the petition expressly enumerated above.

24. Petitioner has written to CYFD numerous times over the past eight years requesting copies of the investigation records as a parent and a party, CYFD has refused to disclose any information of Petitioner's children to him.

25. Each time the Petitioner has written to CYFD they have refused him access to any files or conclusions to their investigation in violation of NMSA 1978 §32A-4-33

COUNT TWO; DECLARATORY RELIEF

26. The petitioner incorporates by reference the above allegations.

27. There is an actual conflict between the Petioner and the Respondent as to the withholding of child abuse records from a parent violates New Mexico Children's Code.

28. The law is clear that a parent and the subject of a child abuse investigation is ENTITLED to copies of the reports and CYFD's conclusions of the entire investigation. As such CYFD, pursuant to this court's order, must provide copies to the petitioner.

29. Petitioner is entitled to declaratory relief that the CYFD has violated the Children's Code, and that they must provide the requested investigative records.

COUNT THREE; INJUNCTIVE RELIEF & MANDAMUS

30. The Petitioner incorporates by reference the above allegations.

31. Under NMSA 1978 § 32A-4-33 Petitioner is entitled to a writ of mandamus or injunction ordering the Respondent to comply with their mandatory, non-discretionary duties to produce all investigative medical and psychological records responsive to Petitioners request.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner prays that

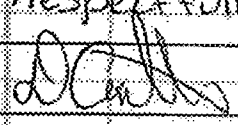
1.) The Court declare that the Respondents have violated the Children's Code;

2.) The Court order or issue a writ of mandamus or injunction ordering the Respondents to produce the records and information requested with proper redactions with out further delay; and

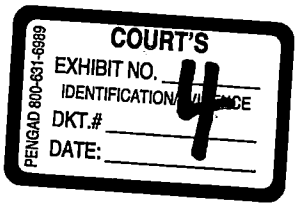
3. The Court enter an order for other such relief as the court deems just and proper, including, but not limited to, damages, cost and fees.

May 31, 2022

Respectfully Submitted



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

DANIEL CAOUETTE,

Plaintiff,

v. NO.: D-202-CV-2022-03133

NEW MEXICO CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES DEPT.,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING THE NEW MEXICO CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT'S MOTION TO DISMISS AND CLOSING AND DISMISSING CASE

Before the Court is Defendant *New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department's* (CYFD) *Motion to Dismiss* (Motion), filed June 13, 2023. The Court, having considered the motion, response and reply, determining no hearing is necessary,[1] and being sufficiently advised, finds that the Motion is well taken and is **GRANTED**. **Plaintiff Daniel Caouette may not file any further motions, papers or pleadings in this case absent express permission by this Court. This case is closed and dismissed**.

The Court finds Defendant CYFD's Motion and Reply well taken. First, the Court agrees with Defendant CYFD in finding Plaintiff is a vexatious litigant and that Plaintiff has violated the injunction entered by Judge Stone in the Fifth Judicial District. *See Order Granting Catron County's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint to Enforce Provisions of the Inspection of Public Records Act*, in *Caouette v. Catron County*, Case No. D-506-CV-2020-00566, before the

[1] The Court has determined no hearing is necessary. The Court in its discretion may rely upon the pleadings filed in this matter if the written submissions are sufficient to resolve the matters presented. *See National Excess Insurance Co. v. Bingham*, 1987-NMCA-109, ¶ 9, 106 N.M. 325, 742 P.2d 537 (recognizing motions may be resolved by the district court without oral argument provided there is an adequate opportunity for written response to the arguments presented); *Flagstar Bank v. Licha*, 2015-NMCA-086, ¶¶ 28 & 29, 356 P.3d 1102 (stating no authority requires

Honorable Michael H. Stone. Plaintiff has engaged, and continues to engage in, a pattern and practice of conduct that is oppressive and for the purpose of harassment. *See* Motion at 2-3. The Court finds Plaintiff has violated Judge Stone's order in the Fifth Judicial District Court that prohibits Plaintiff from filing any pro se complaints in any state district court absent representation by an attorney. *See* Motion at 2-3, 4-5; *State ex rel. Bardacke v. Welsh*, 1985-NMCA-028, ¶ 16, 102 N.M. 592, 698 P.2d 462 (providing "the district court had authority to enjoin future vexatious and oppressive litigation" and "that a less restrictive method of regulating access is not required when the facts show a pattern of conduct which is either vexatious, oppressive or for the purpose of harassment").

Second, Plaintiff is incorrect that his "petition" is distinct from a "complaint," as to what constitutes a "form of action" by law, and therefore does not violate Judge Stone's order. A petition is no different than a complaint as to what constitutes a "civil action" under the law, as provided by the New Mexico Rules of Civil Procedure. *See* Reply at 2-3 (citing authority in support). The filing of the petition in this matter, absent representation by an attorney, violates Judge Stone's order. *See* Reply at 2-3.

Third, the Court also agrees with Defendant CYFD that Plaintiff has not shown evidence that service was effective in this case. *See* Motion at 5-6. There is no return of service filed into the record or other evidence of CYFD having been validly served. *See* Reply at 3-4. The Court finds that Plaintiff lacked due diligence in issuing service, failed to serve Defendant CYFD, and the delay warrants dismissal. *See Martinez v. Segovia*, 2003-NMCA-023, ¶ 29, 133 N.M. 240, 62 P.3d 331 ("In considering a motion relating to due diligence under Rule 1-004(F), the district court is to exercise its discretion in determining whether delay demonstrates a lack of due

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district court to hold a hearing on motions). *See also* LR 2-119(E) NMRA.

diligence and whether the delay warrants dismissal of the complaint.").

The Motion is **GRANTED** and this case is dismissed with prejudice. **This Order disposes of all parties and resolves all claims and issues in this case, and is a final Order from which an appeal may be taken.**

Plaintiff Daniel Caouette may not file any further motions, papers or pleadings in this case absent express permission by this Court. This case is closed.

SO ORDERED.

ERIN B. O'CONNELL
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

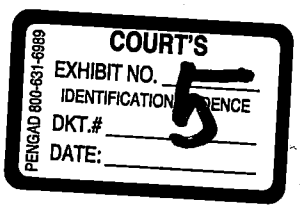
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF CHAVES
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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DANIEL CAOUETTE,
Plaintiff,

v.

No. D-504-CV2024-77
Honorable James M. Hudson

LAKE ARTHUR MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS, and
UNKNOWN NAME RECORDS CUSTODIAN,
Defendants.

ORDER DENYING PRIOR APPROVAL AND LEAVE TO PROCEED WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OF COUNSEL, AND DEFERRING CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR FREE PROCESS

THIS MATTER came before the Court on review of the *Application to Proceed Pro-Se* (sic)*With Free Process*. Being advised in the premises, the Court FINDS:

1. The Plaintiff submitted the *Application to Proceed Pro-Se* (sic) *With Free Process,* attached as Exhibit A, with a proposed *Complaint For Production of Public Records and Damages,* attached as Exhibit B. The Complaint purports to allege a violation of the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA), NMSA 1978, §14-2-1 to §14-2-12.

2. In Cause Number D-506-CV-2020-00566, in the matter captioned *Daniel Caouette v. Catron County*, Judge Michael Stone entered an *Order Granting Catron County's Motion to Dismiss Complaint to Enforce Provisions of the Inspection of Public Records Act* (Stone Order), attached as Exhibit C. In that Order, Judge Stone recognized that Plaintiff's filing of numerous proceedings raised concerns of vexatious litigation:

> Plaintiff's filing lawsuits against government entities in the wrong judicial district is contrary to New Mexico law and shows a pattern of conduct that is either vexatious, oppressive, or for the purpose of harassment and that the Court has authority under *State ex rel. Bardacke v. Welsh,* 1985-NMCA-028 to prohibit and

> enjoin Plaintiff from filing suits in the District Courts of New Mexico absent being represented by counsel.

Stone Order, ¶ 7.

3. Judge Stone then entered a permanent injunction affecting Plaintiff's ability to file and pursue proceedings:

> IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff is and shall be permanently enjoined from filing any *pro se* complaints in State District Courts of New Mexico absent representation by an attorney or prior approval from the Court in the particular judicial district Plaintiff intends to bring suit.

Stone Order, page 2.

4. This Court now reviews the Complaint for prior approval to determine whether representation of counsel is required or if the Plaintiff will be allowed to proceed as a self-represented litigant.

5. Plaintiff alleges that he is a "New Mexico Corrections Department inmate," and that he "has spent several years collecting public records using the IPRA." Complaint at ¶ 4. A search reflects that Plaintiffs is currently serving an eighteen year sentence imposed in Cause Number D-202-CR-2014-01263 pursuant to a *Judgment, Sentence and Commitment* entered April 28, 2015.

6. Court electronic records confirm Plaintiff's assertion that he has spent years litigation IPRA claims. A case history of Plaintiff's Claims is attached as Exhibit D.

7. Plaintiff alleges that he made an IPRA request to an unnamed custodian of the records of the Lake Arthur Municipal Schools for a "copy of your current or most recent audit report."

8. The purpose of IPRA is to ensure transparency of government activities by making public records available for inspection. The purpose of IPRA is not to create a platform to manufacture claims for damages.

9. The statute itself announces its purpose:

> Recognizing that a representative government is dependent upon an informed electorate, the intent of the legislature in enacting the Inspection of Public Records Act (reference omitted) is to ensure, and it is declared to be the public policy of this state, that all persons are entitled to the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of public officers and employees. It is the further intent of the legislature, and it is declared to be the public policy of this state, that to provide persons with such information is an essential function of a representative government and an integral part of the routine duties of public officers and employees.

NMSA 1978, §14-2-5; see also, *Republican Party of NM v. NM Taxation and Revenue Dept.*, 2012-NMSC-026, 283 P.3d 853; N.M. Const. art II, §2 ("All political power is vested in and derived from the people: all government of right originates with the people, is founded upon their will and is instituted solely for their good"). "Although the public's right to access information concerning the inner workings of its government is considerable, it is not without limit." *Republican Party of NM*, 2012-NMSC-026, ¶ 2.

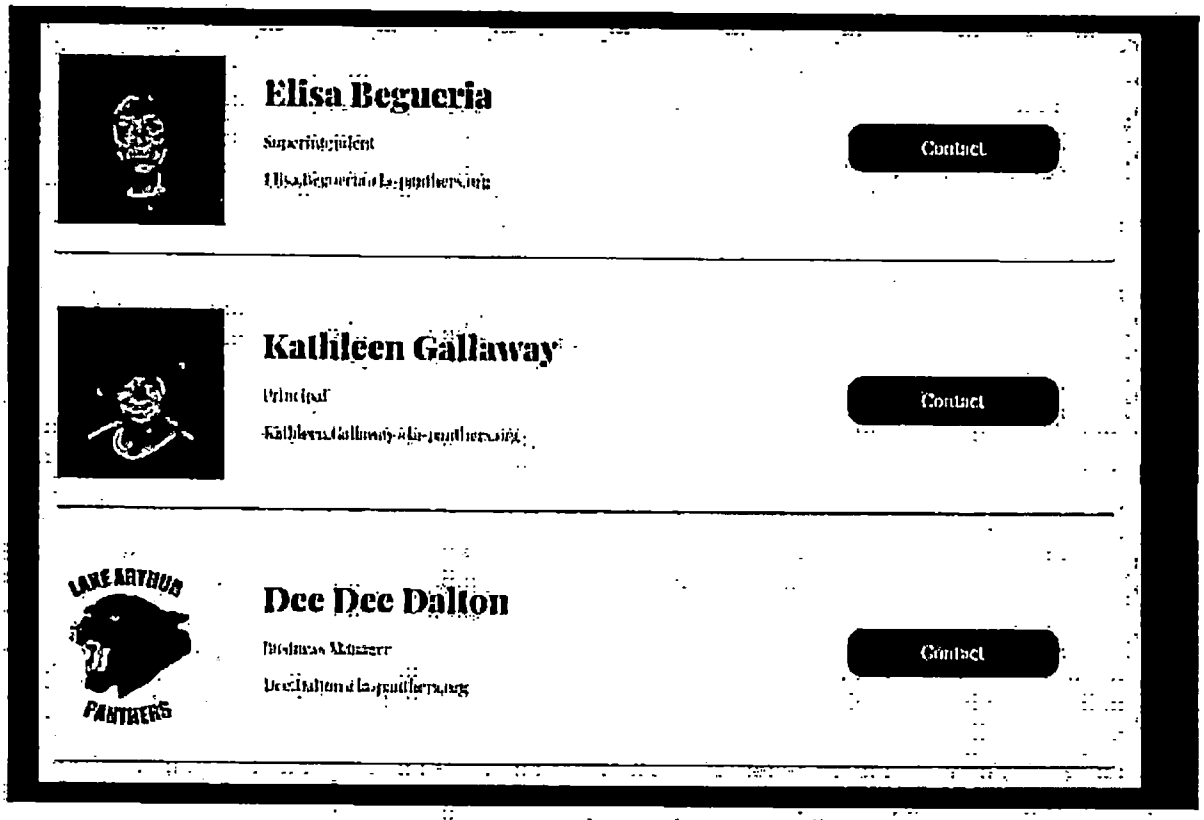
10. IPRA also imposes potential fines and allows for the recovery of damages. Plaintiff seeks the recovery of statutory fines, fees and damages in the Complaint.

11. This case raises the specter of possible misuse of IPRA not for its stated purpose but for the improper purpose of manufacturing claims for damages and spurring needless or possibly baseless litigation.

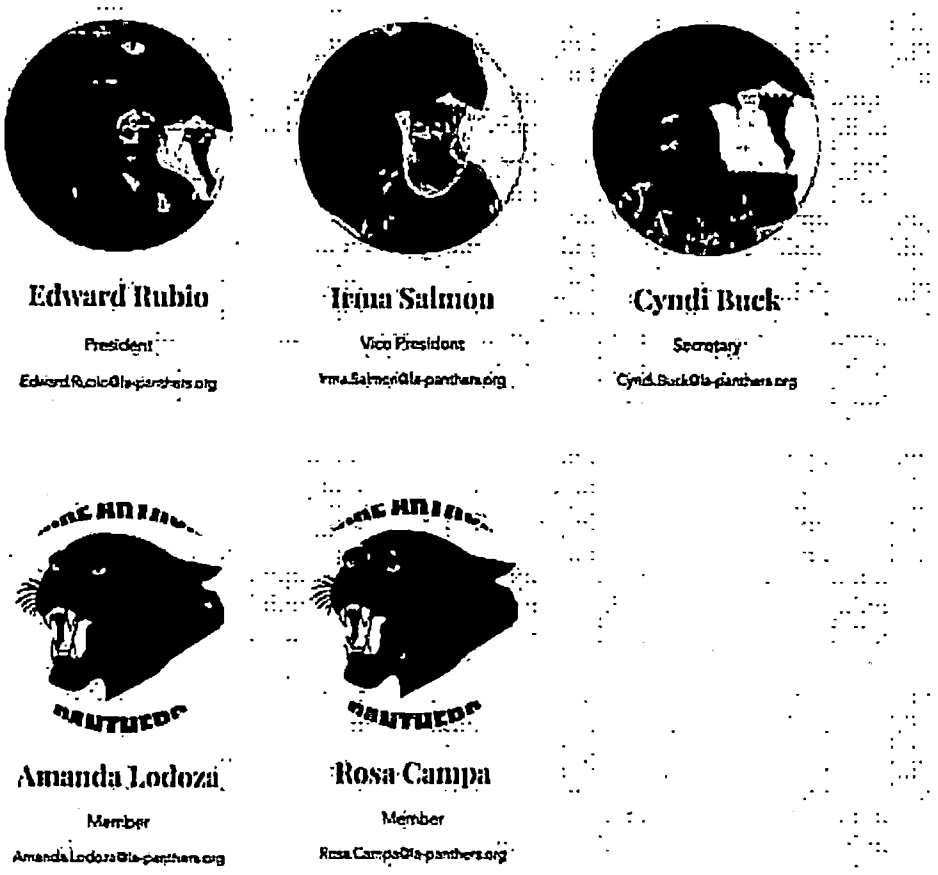
12. The IPRA request raises numerous red flags that must be considered in light of Judge Stone's Order. The request appears to be on what is a hand written fill-in-the-blank form that could easily be sent to any governmental agency making an oblique request for a document.

It is to an unnamed person that creates the very real likelihood that it may not be received by the person responsible for responding to the request. Plaintiff's extensive history of IPRA claims also raises concerns of vexatious litigation. The form request could easily be submitted to any number of governmental agencies to see if any failed to respond. If any did, Plaintiff could then seek to recover damages.

13. Information about the identity of the Lake Arthur Municipal Schools administrators is readily available, including online at https://www.la-panthers.org/meet-our-administrators:



14. Information about the identity of the Lake Arthur Municipal Schools School Board members is readily available, including online at https://www.la-panthers.org/meet-our-school-board:



15. Given the nature and manner of the IPRA request, Plaintiff's history of IPRA litigation, the possibility that the purpose of the request is not to obtain documents but to recover damages, and Judge Stone's Order, the Court concludes representation of Plaintiff must be required in order to ensure that the mandates of Rule1-011 NMRA are met and are meaningfully enforceable by a Court.

16. To be filed, the Complaint must be reviewed and approved by counsel who enters their appearance in this matter. The approval will be consistent with Rule 1-011 NMRA

17. Plaintiff's request to proceed as a self-represented litigant is denied.

18. Prior approval to file the Complaint is denied pending entry of an appearance by counsel as set forth above.

19. The Complaint will not be filed until counsel for Plaintiff has entered their appearance.

20. The Order is entered without prejudice to Plaintiff's ability to submit a proper IPRA request to either Lake Arthur Municipal Schools School Board President, Edward Rubio, Superintendent, Elisa Begueria, or Business Manager, Dee Dee Dalton. They will be provided a copy of this Order. Any failure to respond to a request as required by IPRA could support a claim for relief.

21. This Order shall be deemed a final order for purposes of appeal.

22. The Court reserves consideration of the request for free process until an attorney has entered an appearance.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

JAMES M. HUDSON
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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EXHIBIT A

State of New Mexico
County of Chaves
5th Judicial District Court

Daniel Caouette
Petitioner/Plaintiff

No.

V.
Lake Arthur Municipal Schools; and
Unknown Name Record Custodian
Respondent/Defendant(s)

APPLICATION TO PROCEED PRO-SE WITH FREE PROCESS

Comes Now Plaintiff Daniel Caouette hereby requesting this Court its permission to file the attached complaint in compliance with Judge Michael Stones order in case D-506-CV-2020-00566. Plaintiff further requests to proceed without prepayment of fees and costs and give upon my oath and affirmation the following statements:

01. I am currently single.

02. I do not request any types of interpretation services.

I.) FINANCES

A.) Public Assistance

03. I DO NOT receive any public assistance from the state or any other federal program.

B.) Employment/Unemployment

04. I am currently unemployed because I am incarcerated.

05. I have been unemployed for over five continuous years.

C.) Other Income

06. I DO NOT have any other sources of income.

D.) Assets

07. I DO NOT have any other cash, investments, real estate or any other liquidable assets.

E.) Monthly Expenses

08. I DO NOT have any regular monthly expenses.

F.) Household

09. I live at the Lea County Correctional Facility. There is no head of household in the prison.

II.) PROCEED PRO-SE

10. On December 3, 2020 the Honorable Michael Stone of the Fifth Judicial District Court issued an injunction against Plaintiff that stated in part:

> "Plaintiff is and shall be permanately enjoined from filing any pro se complaints in State District Courts of New Mexico absent representation by an attorney **OR PRIOR APPROVAL** from the Court in the particular judicial district Plaintiff intends to bring suit." (Exhibit A)(Emphasis Added)

11. Judge Stones order was entered because Plaintiff attempted to file fourteen separate lawsuits in the wrong venue. (See #1 of Exhibit

12. This application requests this court review the complaint to verify Plaintiff has filed this complaint in the proper venue.

13. This complaint has been submitted to the Fifth Judicia District Court in Chaves county pursuant to 38-3-1 NMSA 1978 which states that "suits against any state officers as such shall be brought in the court of the county in which their offices are located, [...], or **IN THE COUNTY WHERE A PLAINTIF RESIDES**[...]" 38-3-1(G) NMSA 1978 (emphasis added)

14 Plaintiff resides in Lea County.

15. Plaintiff has a statutory right to file an "action to enforce the Inspection of Public Records Act." see 14-2-12 (A)(2) NMSA 1978

III) STATEMENT OF OATH

The above statements are made under oath. I hereby state that the above information regarding my financial and legal obligations are correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorized the Court to obtain information from financial institutions, employers, relatives, the federal internal revenue service and other state agencies. If at any time the Court discovers that information in this application for free process was false, misleading, inaccurate or incomplete at the time the application was submitted, the Court may require me to pay any costs that were waived under an order to proceed pro-se with free process that was granted based on the information contained in this application.

Respectfully,

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EXHIBIT B

5th DISTRICT COURT CHAVES CO.
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State of New Mexico
County of
Judicial District

No.

Daniel Caouette,
Plaintiff

v

Lake Arthur Municipal Schools; and
Unknown Name Record Custodian
Defendants

COMPLAINT FOR PRODUCTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS AND DAMAGES

I. INTRODUCTION

1) Plaintiff Daniel Caouette brings this cause of action to enforce the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act, 14-2-1 et seq NMSA 1978 ("IPRA").

2) Public transparency is a key part of the foundation of a strong democracy within New Mexico.

3) Plaintiff brings this action under IPRA to compel the production of public records maintained and controlled by the Defendants and for mandamus, injunctive, and declaratory relief and for statutory and compensatory damages arising from the willful failure and refusal to produce public records as required by statute.

II. PARTIES, JURISDICTION & VENUE

4) Plaintiff is Daniel Caouette a New Mexico Corrections Department inmate without computer access. He has spent several years collecting public records using the IPRA.

5) Defendant Lake Arthur Municipal Schools ("LAMS") is a subdivision of the Department of Education and is charged with the creation, maintenance and disclosure of public records. "LMS" is a public body as described by IPRA.

6) Defendant "Unknown Name" is the assigned record custodian for LMS. They are directly employed by LAMS and are responsible for responding to requests and providing public records to requesters.

7) This court has jurisdiction over this complaint pursuant to 14-2-12(B), 44-2-2, 44-2-3, and 38-3-1.1 NMSA 1978.

8) Venue lies in the District Court for Chaves County pursuant

to 38-3-1(G) NMSA 1978.

9.) There is an actual controversy between the parties about the Defendants duties under the IPRA. As a result an action for declaratory relief is authorized under 44-6-2 and 44-6-4 NMSA 1978.

10.) Plaintiff is requesting a jury trial on all triable facts. He further requests a jury of 12 persons.

11.) Plaintiff has requested and received permission to proceed pro-se in the above captioned cause as required by his injunction.

III. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

12. IPRA creates a foundation for an open functioning democracy. It is the policy of this state that all persons are entitled to the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of public officers and employees. It is further the intent of the legislature and is declared to be the public policy of this state that to provide persons with such information is an essential function of a representative government and an integral part of the routine duties of public officers and employees.

13.) IPRA also broadly defines the organization to which it applies to include all advisory boards, commissions, committees, agencies or entities created by the constitution or any branch of government that receives public fundings, including political subdivisions, special taxing districts and institutions of higher education. This includes the Defendants.

14.) IPRA broadly defines the records which the public may access as all documents that are used, created, received, maintained or held by or on behalf of any public body and relate to public business. whether or not the records are required by law to be created or maintained.

15.) On July 19 2023 Plaintiff mailed a hand written IPRA request for public records to the Defendants. More specifically Plaintiff requested the Defendants mail their current or most recent audit report to him. (attached as Exhibit B)

16.) The Defendants failed to respond to Plaintiff's July 19, 2023 IPRA request.

17.) On or about October 12, 2023 Plaintiff mailed a second copy of his request to Defendants.

18.) As of the filing of this complaint the Defendants still have not responded to Plaintiff's requests for public records.

19.) Pursuant to 14-2-11(A) NMSA 1978, Plaintiff has deemed

his request for public records denied.

20) Plaintiff has a right to access to public records regardless of his background or past. His reasons for requesting records from the Defendants is irrelevant to the Defendants lack of response.

COUNT ONE: VIOLATIONS TO IPRA

21) Plaintiff incorporates by reference the above allegations.

22) Defendants have failed to follow IPRA by:

A. failing to produce public records or denial of public records requested by Plaintiff;

B. failing to provide any denial based on ~~ex~~applicable exemptions; and

C. failing to properly train, supervise or retain a proper record custodian.

23) Plaintiff provided a written request for public records.

24) Plaintiff did not provide a reason for his request and he is not required to do so.

25) Defendants are not allowed to assume or guess at any reason for Plaintiffs reasons for his request.

26) Plaintiff has the right to recover all costs and fees associated with the filing and service of this complaint.

27) Plaintiff has deemed his request denied and thus has the statutory right to recover damages upto $100 per day from his original request.

COUNT TWO: DECLARATORY RELIEF

28) Plaintiff incorporates by references the above allegations.

29) There is an actual controversy between the Plaintiff and the Defendants as to whether Defendants conduct as alleged above violates the IPRA.

30) Decisions made by the Defendants not to respond to Plaintiff's requests created an actual controversy.

31) The law is clear that Defendants were performing a public function and that the record requested was created in that public capacity. As such the Defendants refusal to provide the record created an actual controversy.

32.) Plaintiff is entitled to declaratory relief that the Defendants have violated the IPRA and must allow inspection of all of their public records.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that:

A. The court declare that Defendants failed to follow the IPRA when they failed to respond to Plaintiff's handwritten IPRA request;

B. The court issue an order for the Defendants to produce the record requested without further delay;

C. The Court order the Defendants pay the plaintiff both statutory and compensatory damages for the delay and filing of this complaint; and

D. The Court order any other relief the Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully,

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D-506-CV-2020-00566
Judge Michael H. Stone

ORDER GRANTING CATRON COUNTY'S MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE PROVISIONS OF THE INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

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Exhibit A

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HONORABLE MICHAEL A. STONE
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07/19/23

Re: IPRA Request

Inspection of Public Records Request

1. This is a request for public records pursuant to the Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA) 14-2-1 NMSA 1978 et seq.

2. I would like copies of:

   A. A copy of your current or most recent audit report.

Thank you for your prompt response to this request.

Sincerely

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 30th day of November 2020, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be served via U.S. First Class Mail:

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/s/ Damian L. Martinez
DAMIAN L. MARTÍNEZ

EXHIBIT D

Case History Summary

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Active Warrants: 0 Person ID: 3350996 -

Race: W Height: 5'8" DOB: 02/07/1983
Gender: M Weight: 180 SID: NM 552898

A-1-CA-37825 State v. D Caouette

Case Type: CCRM Filed On: 12/14/2018 Status: 08/23/2019 C Connection: DAPT

Last Activity: 08/23/2019 Event 3005C

A-1-CA-39054 State v. D Caouette

Case Type: AICR Filed On: 06/22/2020 Status: 02/11/2022 C Connection: DAPT

Last Activity: 02/11/2022 JudgmentEvent 8220C

Judgment: *02/11/2022 8220C*

A-1-CA-39441 D Caouette v. The GEO Group

Case Type: CCMS Filed On: 12/24/2020 Status: 02/25/2022 C Connection: PAPT

Last Activity: 02/25/2022 Event 3004C

Judgment: *12/17/2021 5653C*

D-101-CV-2022-00710 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. New Mexico Inspector General's Office

Case Type: VSO Filed On: 04/27/2022 Status: 04/27/2022 PN Connection: P

Case Flags: Free Process Order Filed

Last Activity: 10/30/2023 Setting 4527 (Biedscheid, Bryan)

D-101-CV-2022-00981 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Geo Group Inc, et. al.

Case Type: TRT Filed On: 06/02/2022 Status: 06/02/2022 PN Connection: P

Last Activity: 12/15/2023 Event 8117

Judgment: *08/16/2022 DDDM (Mathew, Francis J.): Comment (Order Dismissing without Prejudice Defendant The Geo Group, Inc.)*

D-1010-CV-2020-00081 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. QUAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Case Type: VSO Filed On: 09/17/2020 Status: 04/06/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 04/14/2021 Event 8404

Judgment: *04/06/2021 DDDM (Mitchell, Albert J., Jr.)*

D-1027-CV-2022-00007 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. De Baca County Board of Commissioners

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 07/06/2022 Status: 11/03/2023 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 11/20/2023 Setting 4585

Judgment: *11/03/2023 DDDM (Mitchell, Albert J., Jr.)*

D-1113-CV-2020-00381 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. MCKINLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 09/01/2020 Status: 08/27/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/27/2021 JudgmentEvent DDDM (DePauli, Louis)

Judgment: *08/27/2021 DDDM (DePauli, Louis E., Jr.): Comment ()*

D-117-CV-2020-00182 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. RIO ARRIBA COUNTY

Case Type: VSO Filed On: 05/22/2020 Status: 05/22/2020 RO Connection: P

Last Activity: 05/22/2020 Event 2545

D-117-CV-2023-00218 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Rio Arriba County Board of Commissioners, et. al.

Case Type: TRT Filed On: 06/29/2023 Status: 06/29/2023 PN Connection: P

Case Flags: Free Process Order Filed

Last Activity: 01/23/2024 Event 8691

Pending Activities: 04/03/2024 4527

D-1314-CV-2020-00787 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Valencia County Board of Commissioners

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 09/03/2020 Status: 04/15/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 07/16/2021 Event 8101

Judgment: *04/15/2021 4DDEF (Sanchez, James Lawrence)*

D-1333-CV-2020-00191 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Cibola County Board of Commissioners

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 08/20/2020 Status: 04/15/2022 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 04/15/2022 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Mercer, Cindy)

Judgment: *04/15/2022 DDDM (Mercer, Cindy M.)*

D-202-CR-2014-01263 STATE OF NEW MEXICO v. DANIEL CAOUETTE

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D-430-CV-2020-00022 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Mora County

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/26/2020 Status: 04/26/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 04/26/2021 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Baca, Gerald)

Judgment: *04/26/2021 9DLOP (Baca, Gerald)*

D-504-CV-2020-00584 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. CHAVES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Case Type: OTH Filed On: 08/21/2020 Status: 06/01/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/14/2021 Event 8719

Judgment: *06/01/2021 4DDEF (Lilley, Thomas E.)*

D-506-CV-2019-01099 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Office of the District Attorney, et. al.

Case Type: TRT Filed On: 06/04/2019 Status: 03/26/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 04/16/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *03/26/2020 DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2019-01123 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. STATE OF NEW MEXICO CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARMENT, et. al.

Case Type: TRT | Filed On: 06/13/2019 | Status: 03/24/2020 CL | Connection: P

Last Activity: 03/24/2020 Event 8403

D-506-CV-2019-01570 CAOUETTE, DANIEL v. Warden Santisteven, et. al.

Case Type: HBC | Filed On: 09/06/2019 | Status: 05/04/2021 CL | Connection: PT

Last Activity: 05/04/2021 Event 3561 (Sanchez, Mark)

D-506-CV-2020-00100 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. GEO GROUP, et. al.

Case Type: TRT | Filed On: 01/23/2020 | Status: 02/25/2022 CL | Connection: P

Case Flags: In Custody

Last Activity: 02/25/2022 Event 8762

Judgment: *11/18/2020 DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00101 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. CHRISTINA ARGYRES

Case Type: TRT | Filed On: 01/23/2020 | Status: 08/21/2020 CL | Connection: P

Case Flags: In Custody, *Read Case Notes

Last Activity: 08/21/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *08/20/2020 DDDM (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00105 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT, et. al.

Case Type: TRT | Filed On: 01/24/2020 | Status: 08/13/2020 CL | Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/13/2020 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Stone, Michael)

Judgment: *08/13/2020 9DLOP (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00486 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Northern New Mexico Correction Center

Case Type: MMS | Filed On: 03/18/2020 | Status: 07/27/2020 CL | Connection: P

Case Flags: In Custody

Last Activity: 12/07/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *07/27/2020 DDEF (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00508 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. State of New Mexico Corrections Department

Case Type: OTH | Filed On: 03/24/2020 | Status: 08/20/2021 CL | Connection: P

Case Flags: In Custody, Limited Representation

Last Activity: 08/20/2021 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Stone, Michael)

Judgment: *08/20/2021 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00509 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Chaves County Board of Commissioners

Case Type: MMS | Filed On: 03/24/2020 | Status: 11/24/2020 CL | Connection: P

Case Flags: In Custody

Last Activity: 11/24/2020 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Sanchez, Mark)

Judgment: *11/24/2020 9DLOP (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00510 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. BERNALILLO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, et. al.

Case Type: MMS | Filed On: 03/24/2020 | Status: 01/21/2021 CL | Connection: P

Last Activity: 01/21/2021 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Shoobridge, William)

Judgment: *01/21/2021 9DLOP (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00526 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. GUADALUPE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Case Type: MMS | Filed On: 04/02/2020 | Status: 10/30/2020 CL | Connection: P

Last Activity: 10/30/2020 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Sanchez, Mark)

Judgment: *10/30/2020 9DLOP (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00530 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/03/2020 Status: 09/10/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 09/10/2020 JudgmentEvent 4DDEF (Stone, Michael)
Judgment: *09/10/2020 4DDEF (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00557 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Curry County
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/14/2020 Status: 06/16/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 06/16/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)
Judgment: *06/16/2020 DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00558 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. De Baca County
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/14/2020 Status: 06/16/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 06/16/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)
Judgment: *06/16/2020 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00559 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Quay County
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/14/2020 Status: 06/16/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 06/16/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)
Judgment: *06/16/2020 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00560 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Colfax County
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/14/2020 Status: 07/31/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 07/31/2020 Event 3548 (Shoobridge, William)

D-506-CV-2020-00561 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Law Office of the Public Defender
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/14/2020 Status: 07/27/2022 CL Connection: P
Case Flags: In Custody
Last Activity: 07/27/2022 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Stone, Michael)
Judgment: *07/27/2022 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00566 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. CATRON COUNTY
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/16/2020 Status: 12/09/2020 RO Connection: P
Last Activity: 09/14/2023 Event 8403
Judgment: *12/01/2020 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00604 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. BERNALILLO COUNTY
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/29/2020 Status: 08/10/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 08/10/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)
Judgment: *08/10/2020 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00647 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. EDDY COUNTY
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/12/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 08/04/2020 Event 8403
Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00648 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. LINCOLN COUNTY
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/12/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 08/03/2020 Event 8403
Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00649 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. SIERRA COUNTY
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/12/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/02/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)

Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00650 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. San Miguel County

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/12/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/03/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00651 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. SANTA FE COUNTY

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/12/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/04/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00652 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Mckinley County

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/13/2020 Status: 06/02/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/02/2020 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)

Judgment: *06/02/2020 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00653 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Mora County

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/13/2020 Status: 05/18/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/02/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *05/18/2020 9TRAN (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00654 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. RIO ARRIBA COUNTY

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/13/2020 Status: 05/18/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/02/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *05/18/2020 9TRAN (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2020-00672 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Sandoval County

Case Type: OTH Filed On: 05/21/2020 Status: 06/23/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/04/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *06/23/2020 DDDM (Shoobridge, William G. W.); Comment ()*

D-506-CV-2020-00673 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. SOCORRO COUNTY

Case Type: OTH Filed On: 05/21/2020 Status: 06/23/2020 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 08/03/2020 Event 8403

Judgment: *06/23/2020 DDDM (Stone, Michael H.); Comment ()*

D-506-CV-2020-00695 Daniel Caouette v. Keith Manes, Lea County Clerk (In His Official Capacity)

Case Type: MMS Filed On: 06/03/2020 Status: 08/22/2023 PL Connection: PT

Last Activity: 01/11/2024 Event 8695 (Hudson, James)

Judgment: *06/15/2020 4DPL (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

Judgment: *09/25/2020 4DPL (Shoobridge, William G. W.)*

D-506-CV-2020-00779 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Nyvia Barraza

Case Type: OTH Filed On: 06/23/2020 Status: 01/05/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 01/05/2021 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Kirksey, Lee)

Judgment: *01/05/2021 9DLOP (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-01020 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Case Type: TRT Filed On: 08/28/2020 Status: 02/01/2021 CL Connection: P

Last Activity: 06/22/2021 Setting 4527

Judgment: *02/01/2021 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-01032 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Lea County Board of Commissioners
Case Type: OTH Filed On: 09/03/2020 Status: 01/03/2022 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 01/03/2022 JudgmentEvent-DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)
Judgment: *01/03/2022 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2020-01033 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Lea County Board of Commissioners
Case Type: OTH Filed On: 09/03/2020 Status: 10/22/2021 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 10/22/2021 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kirksey, Lee)
Judgment: *10/22/2021 DDDM (Kirksey, Lee A.)*

D-506-CV-2021-00856 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. STATE OF NEW MEXICO, et. al.
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 09/27/2021 Status: 03/29/2022 CL Connection: P
Case Flags: In Custody
Last Activity: 03/29/2022 JudgmentEvent 9DLOP (Stone, Michael)
Judgment: *03/29/2022 9DLOP (Stone, Michael H.)*

D-506-CV-2023-00259 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. GEO Group, Inc., et. al.
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 03/15/2023 Status: 07/18/2023 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 07/18/2023 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)
Judgment: *07/18/2023 DDDM (Sanchez, Mark)*

D-506-CV-2023-00351 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Lea County Board of Commissioners, et. al.
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 04/04/2023 Status: 04/04/2023 PN Connection: P
Last Activity: 01/10/2024 Event 8694 (Stone, Michael)

D-721-CV-2020-00149 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Sierra County Board of Commissioners
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 10/15/2020 Status: 12/09/2021 CL Connection: P
Last Activity: 12/13/2021 Event 9549

D-721-CV-2023-00059 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. Sierra County Board of Commissioners, et. al.
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 05/08/2023 Status: 05/08/2023 PN Connection: P
Last Activity: 01/22/2024 Event 8250
Pending Activities: 03/13/2024 4527

D-809-CV-2020-00158 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. COLFAX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 08/31/2020 Status: 08/05/2021 CL Connection: P
Case Flags: *Read Case Notes
Last Activity: 08/06/2021 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Kennelly, Melissa)
Judgment: *08/06/2021 DDDM (Kennelly, Melissa A.): Comment (dismissal without prejudice)*

D-905-CV-2020-00432 DANIEL CAOUETTE v. CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Case Type: MMS Filed On: 10/05/2020 Status: 03/31/2021 CL Connection: P
Case Flags: Limited Representation
Last Activity: 03/31/2021 JudgmentEvent DDDM (Reeb, David)
Judgment: *03/31/2021 DDDM (Reeb, David Peter): Comment ()*

S-1-SC-35895 Caouette v. Martinez
Case Type: CHC Filed On: 05/06/2016 Status: 07/07/2017 C Connection: PT
Last Activity: 07/07/2017 JudgmentEvent 3006S
Judgment: *07/07/2017 3006S*

S-1-SC-36753 Caouette v. Martinez
Case Type: CHC Filed On: 11/14/2017 Status: 12/13/2017 C Connection: PT
Last Activity: 12/13/2017 JudgmentEvent 5555S
Judgment: *11/30/2017 5555S*

Judgment: *12/13/2017 5555S*

S-1-SC-37244 Caquette v. Martinez

Case Type: CHC | Filed On: 09/06/2018 | Status: 09/12/2018 C | Connection: PT

Last Activity: 09/12/2018 JudgmentEvent 5555S

Judgment: *09/12/2018 5555S*

S-1-SC-37844 State v. Caouette

Case Type: CHC | Filed On: 07/18/2019 | Status: 08/23/2019 C | Connection: DAPT

Last Activity: 11/05/2019 Event 7030S

Judgment: *08/23/2019 5555S*

S-1-SC-38463 Caouette v. Argyres

Case Type: MCR | Filed On: 08/28/2020 | Status: 11/20/2020 C | Connection: PT

Last Activity: 11/20/2020 JudgmentEvent 5555S

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