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Clerk, U.S. District Court District of Montana Missoula Division

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

In Re

EXEMPTION FROM
ELECTRONIC PUBLIC ACCESS
FEES FOR MONTANA LEGAL
SERVICES ASSOCIATION

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 24-05

The Court hereby finds that Montana Legal Services Association falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for exemption from the fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States Courts. An exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens to the not-for-profit organization and to promote public access to information. Accordingly, Montana Legal Services Association shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this court, to the extent such use is incurred in the performance of their organization.

Additionally, the following limitations apply:

1. this fee exemption applies only to Montana Legal Services Association and is valid only for the purposes stated above;

- 2. this fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this court that are available through the PACER system;
- 3. by accepting this exemption, Montana Legal Services Association agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption;
- 4. Montana Legal Services Association is prohibited from transferring any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption, including redistributing via internet based databases;
- 5. this exemption is valid through January 31, 2025, at which time the organization may request an extension of its exempt status.

This exemption shall be applied to the entity's individual attorney PACER accounts and the shared PACER account for Montana Legal Services Association.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to the PACER Service Center.

DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2024.

Brian Morris, Chief Judge United States District Court