## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT

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## ORDER

March 27, 2023

Before FRANK H. EASTERBROOK, Circuit Judge DIANE P. WOOD, Circuit Judge AMY J. ST. EVE, Circuit Judge

No. 23-1322	RAJ PATEL,
	Plaintiff - Appellant
	v.
	JANE DOE and JOHN DOE,
	Defendants - Appellees
Originating Case Information:	
District Court No: 3:23-cv-00101-RLM-MGG	
Northern District of Indiana, South Bend Division	
District Judge Robert L. Miller	

On February 28, 2023, this court ordered appellant Raj Patel to show cause why he should not be sanctioned for continuing to file frivolous suits. Patel's response was due on March 14, but none was filed. Accordingly,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the appeal is **DISMISSED** as frivolous and Patel is sanctioned \$500 for filing a frivolous appeal. Within fourteen days of the date of this order, Patel must tender a check payable to the clerk of this court for the full amount of the sanction.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the clerks of all federal courts in this circuit shall return unfiled any papers submitted either directly or indirectly by or on behalf of Patel unless and until he pays in full the sanction that has been imposed against him and all outstanding filing fees owed for all suits in the district courts of this circuit as well as all appeals before this court. *See In re City of Chicago*, 500 F.3d 582, 585–86 (7th Cir. 2007); *Support Sys. Int'l, Inc. v. Mack*, 45 F.3d 185, 186 (7th Cir. 1995) (per curiam). In accordance with our decision in *Mack*, exceptions to this filing bar are made for criminal cases and for applications for writs of habeas corpus. *See*  No. 23-1322

*Mack*, 45 F.3d at 186-87. This order will be lifted immediately once Patel makes full payment. *See City of Chicago*, 500 F.3d at 585–86. If Patel, despite his best efforts, is unable to pay in full all outstanding sanctions and filing fees, he is authorized to submit to this court a motion to modify or rescind this order no earlier than two years from the date of this order. *See id.; Mack*, 45 F.3d at 186.

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