IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

JOE L. SEELEY,

Plaintiff,

ORDER

v.

07-C-0017-C

LINDA MCMAHON, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

This is a social security appeal brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Plaintiff Joe Seeley seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. On January 11, 2007, this court issued an order asking plaintiff to provide additional information about a recent lump sum workers' compensation settlement that plaintiff received. In response to that order, plaintiff has indicated that he has used up approximately \$34,400 of his \$47,000 settlement to pay for a new roof, furnace, insulation and siding for his trailer; a used pick-up truck; past medical bills; and accident bills. This leaves approximately \$12,600. Although I recognize that plaintiff is probably using these funds to make up the monthly shortfall between his part-time income and expenses, plaintiff nonetheless has a significant pool of money available to him from which he can pay the filing fee and costs associated with bringing this civil action. Accordingly,

ORDER

Plaintiff's application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* is DENIED. Plaintiff has until February 19, 2007 in which to pay the filing fee.

Entered this 6th day of February, 2007.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

STEPHEN L. CROCKER Magistrate Judge