

Cause No. 471-04058-2024

JACOB LUCE	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
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v.	§	471ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
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COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS	§	COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT

On June 16, 2026, a hearing was held regarding Collin County's MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT and Collin County's SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT. The Court, after examining the County's MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, the County's SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, the Plaintiff's RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, and the County's REPLY TO PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO COUNTY'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, as well as the pleadings, testimony, evidence and briefs submitted, along with the contents of this Court's file, together with authorities, and having considered arguments of counsel, and evidence before the Court, is of the opinion and finds that Collin County's MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT and Collin County's SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT be and hereby are GRANTED.

In support of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, the Court finds that good cause exists for the imposition of sanctions and finding that Jacob Luce is a Vexatious Litigant, and finds that the conduct of Jacob Luce is violative of Rule 13 of TEXAS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, Chapters 10 and 11 of the TEXAS CIVIL PRACTICE & REMEDIES CODE, and this Court's inherent power to govern the conduct of litigants and counsel appearing before it. The discussion, analysis, comments, evidence, and rulings of the Court during the hearing conducted June 16, 2026, is incorporated in this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT as if fully set forth herein.

Specifically, in addition to and supplementation of the oral ruling(s) of this Court, the Court finds the following is good cause in support of its award of Sanctions against Jacob Luce and the declaration that he is a Vexatious Litigant:

- (1) The parties were provided with proper and timely notice of the hearing on Collin County's MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT;
- (2) The allegations against Collin County contained in the PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION misrepresent facts and law; are groundless and were made in bad faith; are groundless and lack evidentiary support; were made for the improper purpose to harass the County, cause unnecessary delay, and needlessly increase the cost of litigation; and are not warranted by the existing law or nonfrivolous argument for the extension or modification or reversal of current law, or establishment of new law, especially since the encounter with Plaintiff was recorded on video. These groundless allegations made in bad faith and lacking evidentiary support, constituting harassment, resulting in unnecessary delay, and not warranted by the existing law or nonfrivolous argument for the extension or modification or reversal of current law include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - * "Without provocation, a Collin County deputy shoved Mr. Lucé from behind while he was handcuffed, causing him to fall face-first onto a concrete floor." See, PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION , paragraph A(6);
 - * "Mr. Lucé was held in these inhumane conditions for approximately 15 hours, during which time he was denied food, water, access to a telephone, and his repeated requests for legal counsel." See, PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION, paragraph A(7);
 - * "Without any attempt at verbal de-escalation through the cell's established intercom system, a team of four Collin County deputies in full riot gear—equipped with helmets, shields, and batons, with a fifth deputy filming—breached the cell door." See, PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION, paragraph A(9);
 - * "Defendant's own video evidence documents the unprovoked assault." See, PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION, paragraph A(10);
- (4) The Court finds that Plaintiff Jacob Luce's conduct is sanctionable and violative of Rule 13 of the TEXAS RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE and CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE Chapter 10.
- (5) The cumulative effect of the filing of the instant litigation and alleging facts which are clearly rebuked by the video, infringed upon and impacted this Court's ability to perform its core judicial functions effectively and protect this Court's dignity, independence, and integrity. Thus, Plaintiff Jacob Luce's actions are further sanctionable under this Court's inherent powers to deter, alleviate, and counteract bad faith abuse of the judicial process which significantly interfered with the traditional core functions of this Court.

- (6) This case is a “litigation” and Jacob Lucé is a “plaintiff” for purposes of the Vexatious Litigant Statute, TEXAS CIVIL PRACTICE & REMEDIES CODE Chapter 11, et. seq.
- (7) On June 16, 2026, the Court conducted a hearing, in accordance with TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.053, to determine whether Plaintiff Jacob Lucé meets the criteria to be found a vexatious litigant under TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.101(a), and if so, whether a Prefiling Order should be issued against him. The Court took judicial notice of and entered into evidence the documents attached as Exhibits No. 1-9 to the APPENDIX TO COLLIN COUNTY’S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, and the documents attached as Exhibits 8-9 to Collin County’s SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT. The Court also took judicial notice of all cases filed by and/or against Jacob Lucé in Collin County as contained on Collin County’s judicial record management system ODYSSEY.
- (8) The Court finds there is not a reasonable probability that Plaintiff Jacob Lucé will prevail in the instant litigation as reflected in its ruling on Collin County’s Motion For Summary Judgment rendered in conjunction with and or subsequent to the instant ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT.
- (9) Collin County’s MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT was filed on May 12, 2026, and thus, the operative Seven (7) year time period for any pro se litigations “commenced, prosecuted, or maintained” by Jacob Lucé is found to be a time period beginning on May 12, 2019. Litigation filed before then yet still prosecuted or maintained [i.e., on appeal] afterwards counts for the Court’s quantifying the number of pro se litigations during the operative time period;
- (10) The Court finds that Jacob Lucé has commenced, prosecuted or maintained seven (7) pro se litigations in the relevant time period of May 12, 2019, to May 12, 2026, and which have been determined adversely to him. Attached to the APPENDIX TO COLLIN COUNTY’S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, as Exhibit No. 1-7 are the corresponding docketsheets and other information for each such litigation which Jacob Lucé has commenced, prosecuted or maintained since May 12, 2019, and that have been determined adversely to him, which this Court takes judicial notice of for all purposes and has entered into evidence in this case;
- (11) The Court further finds that Jacob Lucé has commenced, prosecuted or maintained two (2) pro se litigations since May 12, 2026, and which have been determined adversely to him. Attached to Collin County’s SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, as Exhibit No.’s 8-9 are the corresponding docketsheets and other information for each such litigation which Jacob Lucé has commenced, prosecuted or maintained since May 12, 2026, and that have been determined adversely to him, which this Court takes judicial notice of for all purposes and has entered into evidence in this case;

(12) The Court further finds that Jacob Lucé, after litigation has been finally determined against him, repeatedly relitigates or attempts to relitigate, pro se, either (1) the validity of the determination against the same defendants as to whom the litigation was finally determined; (2) or the cause of action, claim, controversy, or any of the issues of fact or law determined or concluded by the final determination against the same defendants as to whom the litigation was finally determined. It appears to the Court that Jacob Lucé has filed five (5) mandamus actions involving the same alleged issues. Documents attached to the APPENDIX TO COLLIN COUNTY'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT and COLLIN COUNTY'S SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT evidence that after litigation/mandamus has been finally determined against him, Jacob Lucé repeatedly relitigates or attempts to relitigate, pro se, either (1) the validity of the determination against the same defendants as to whom the litigation was finally determined; (2) or the cause of action, claim, controversy, or any of the issues of fact or law determined or concluded by the final determination against the same defendants as to whom the litigation was finally determined. This includes, but is not limited to, the following actions:

- * *In Re Jacob Luce*
Case No. 05-26-00393-CV; Dallas Court of Appeals
Filed: March 16, 2026 Dismissed: April 1, 2026
- * *In Re Jacob Luce*
Case No. 05-26-00516-CV; Dallas Court of Appeals
Filed: April 13, 2026 Dismissed: April 17, 2026
- * *In Re Jacob Luce*
Case No. 05-26-00581-CV; Dallas Court of Appeals
Filed: April 27, 2026 Dismissed: May 5, 2026
- * *In Re Jacob Luce*
Case No. 26-0435; Texas Supreme Court
Filed: May 4, 2026 Mandamus and Stay Relief denied June 5, 2026
- * *In Re Jacob Luce*
Case No. 26-0451; Texas Supreme Court
Filed: May 6, 2026 Mandamus and Stay relief denied June 12, 2026

(13) The Court expressly finds that Jacob Lucé meets the criteria for being determined to be a Vexatious Litigant under TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.054(1)(A) and §11.054(2); and

(14) The Court expressly finds that a PreFiling Order, pursuant to TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.101(a) and §11.102(a), should be issued against Jacob Lucé prohibiting him from filing, pro se, any new litigation in a court to which this PreFiling Order applies without first obtaining written permission from the local administrative judge as ordered more fully below.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Collin County's MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT and Collin County's SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR SANCTIONS, AND ADDITIONALLY, TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT. be and hereby is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **JACOB LUCE** be and hereby is **SANCTIONED** and **ORDERED** as follows:

- (1) **Jacob Lucé** shall pay to Collin County the sum of \$ 31,207.27 for Collin County's **ATTORNEY'S FEES** and **COSTS** incurred in defending itself against this action, plus post-judgment interest at the rate at the highest lawful rate per annum on such amount from the date of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT until paid. Such attorneys fees and costs shall be paid by cashiers' check to counsel for the Collin County within 30 days from the signing of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT .

- (2) **Jacob Lucé** shall conditionally pay to Collin County the sum of \$ 28,000 for Collin County's **ATTORNEY'S FEES** and **COSTS** in the event this matter is unsuccessfully appealed to the Dallas Court of Appeals; and the sum of \$ 25,000 for Collin County's **ATTORNEY'S FEES** and **COSTS** in the event this matter is unsuccessfully appealed to the Texas Supreme Court. This award of conditional appellate attorneys' fees is designed to compensate Collin County for the expense of having to defend this sanctions award in the event Jacob Lucé pursues an unsuccessful appeal. The award of conditional attorney's fees is expressly contingent upon an unsuccessful appeal by Jacob Lucé. Post-judgment interest on such conditional attorneys fees shall be at the rate of eight point five percent (8.5%) per annum on such amounts, commencing from the date the notice of appeal is filed, or in the case of an appeal to Supreme Court of Texas, the date Debra Gardner files her petition for review, until paid. The payment of such conditional appellate fees shall be paid by cashiers' check to Counsel Robert Davis within forty five (45) days from the issuance of the Mandate from the applicable Court of Appeals.

- (3) Jacob Lucé, pursuant to TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE SECTION 10.004(c)(2), shall deposit the sum of ~~ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)~~ ^{Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000)} into the registry of the 471st District Court of Collin County, Texas, as a penalty and in order to prevent and deter such improper conduct in the future by Jacob Lucé and others similarly situated. Such amount shall be paid into the registry of the Court within 30 days from signing of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT.

IT IS, FURTHER, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **JACOB LUCE** be and hereby is declared a **VEXATIOUS LITIGANT** pursuant to Chapter 11 of the TEXAS CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a **PRE-FILING ORDER** be and hereby is issued against Jacob Lucé, and/or any other name or designation which he may go by, and Jacob Lucé is hereby prohibited from filing, pro se, any new litigation of any kind or nature in any state or federal court located in the State of Texas until and unless written permission has first been granted by the appropriate local Administrative Judge, strictly in accordance with and as expressly authorized by TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.102.

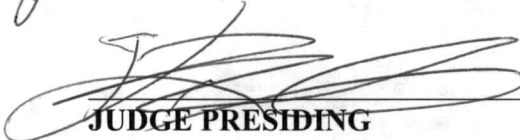
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the District Clerk of Collin County, Texas, as required by TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.104(a), shall provide the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System a copy of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT not later than the 30th day after the date this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT . is signed and entered.

Jacob Lucé is further **ADVISED** that, pursuant to TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE §11.101(b), a person who disobeys a Prefiling Order is subject to Contempt of Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the failure of Jacob Lucé to pay the attorney's fees, costs, and sanctions listed this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, as well as comply with the other terms of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT, may result in such additional and further sanctions or actions which the Court deems just and fair under the evidence, after notice and hearing.

Collin County's Costs of court are taxed against Plaintiff Jacob Lucé. Collin County is allowed such writs and processes as may be necessary in the enforcement and collection of this ORDER OF SANCTIONS AND DECLARING JACOB LUCE A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT . For all of foregoing let execution issue.

Signed this the 16 day of June, 2026.



JUDGE PRESIDING