

CAUSE NO. CC-25-07362-B

DARREN L. REAGAN,
Pro Se Plaintiff,

V.

**TAMEKA SADLER, ANTHONY
WILLIAMS, SHELIA WILLIAMS,
ET AL.,**
Defendants.

§ **IN THE COUNTY COURT**
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§ **AT LAW NO. 1**
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§ **DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS**
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**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' SECOND AMENDED MOTION
TO DECLARE PLAINTIFF A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT,
SUSTAINING RULE 145 CONTEST,
AND ENTERING PREFILING ORDER**

On this _____ day of _____, 2026, came on for consideration Defendants' Second Amended Motion to Declare Plaintiff a Vexatious Litigant and Defendants' Motion to Contest Plaintiff's Statement of Inability to Afford Payment of Court Costs under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 145. Plaintiff Darren L. Reagan ^{failed to appear.} ~~appeared pro se.~~ Defendants appeared by and through their attorney of record, Russell Wilson II. 7/13/2026 2:16:47 PM 

The Court, having considered the motions, the evidence and arguments of the parties, the supplemental briefs filed in support of the motions, and the entire record in this cause and the consolidated causes, finds that the motions should be **GRANTED**.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. Plaintiff Darren L. Reagan has no reasonable probability of success in the litigation against the Defendants in this cause or the consolidated causes. Plaintiff's claims are barred by multiple independent legal doctrines, including but not limited to: (a) the ecclesiastical abstention doctrine, which precludes civil court adjudication of disputes over church membership, governance, and discipline (*Westbrook v. Penley*, 231 S.W.3d

389 (Tex. 2007); *Serbian E. Orthodox Diocese v. Milivojevich*, 426 U.S. 696 (1976)); (b) the absence of a private cause of action under the Texas Constitution against private citizens (*Bouillion v. Twin City Fire Ins. Co.*, 220 S.W.3d 1 (Tex. App.—Tyler 2006, no pet.)); and (c) the gap-filler limitation on intentional infliction of emotional distress claims (*Creditwatch, Inc. v. Jackson*, 157 S.W.3d 814 (Tex. 2005)).

2. Plaintiff, in the seven-year period immediately preceding the date Defendants filed their motion under Section 11.051, has commenced, prosecuted, or maintained at least five litigations as a pro se litigant, other than in a small claims court, that have been finally determined adversely to the Plaintiff or determined to be frivolous or groundless under state or federal law. The qualifying litigations are:
 - (i) *Reagan v. Public Storage*, Cause No. CC-24-08396-A — dismissed with prejudice (February 28, 2025);
 - (ii) *Reagan v. Horner/AutoZone*, Cause No. CC-25-01356-B — dismissed with prejudice under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 91a as having no basis in law or fact (June 11, 2025); Plaintiff subsequently refiled substantially the same claims, evidencing relitigation of adversely determined claims under § 11.054(2);
 - (iii) *Reagan v. Johnson et al.*, Cause No. CC-25-00654-E — dismissed with prejudice; appeal dismissed (September 10, 2025);
 - (iv) *Reagan v. Merrill Wells et al.*, Cause No. DC-21-01775-A — dismissed for want of prosecution (April 30, 2021);
 - (v) *Reagan v. Fred Brown et al.*, Case No. 3:18-CV-0877-G-BH (N.D. Tex.) — dismissed with prejudice as *frivolous* under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(i) (June 8, 2020). This litigation arose from the same East Gate Missionary Baptist Church dispute at issue in this cause.
3. In addition to the five qualifying litigations identified above, two mandamus proceedings (*In re Darren L. Reagan*, No. 05-25-00407-CV, and *In re Darren L. Reagan*, No. 05-25-01126-CV) were denied by the Fifth District Court of Appeals, providing further evidence of Plaintiff's pattern of vexatious litigation.

4. Plaintiff has engaged in relitigation of adversely determined claims within the meaning of § 11.054(2). Specifically, after the Rule 91a dismissal with prejudice in *Reagan v. Horner/AutoZone* (CC-25-01356-B), Plaintiff refiled substantially the same claims as CC-25-06658, which was subsequently removed to federal court as Case No. 3:25-CV-02551-D (N.D. Tex.).
5. Two of the qualifying litigations resulted in express findings of frivolousness: (a) the Rule 91a dismissal of *Reagan v. Horner/AutoZone* (no basis in law or fact), and (b) the federal court's dismissal of *Reagan v. Brown* under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(i) as frivolous and failing to state a claim.
6. Plaintiff's Statements of Inability to Afford Payment of Court Costs filed across multiple cases contain materially false representations. Plaintiff represented under oath that he had no wages, no employer, and had been unemployed since February 7, 2023. However, Plaintiff's own Original Petition in Cause No. CC-25-01356-B, filed on or about February 20, 2025, alleged employment at AutoZone as a commercial auto parts delivery driver since mid-2024 and sought compensation for lost wages and reduced hours. These representations are irreconcilable. The Court finds that Plaintiff's sworn Statements of Inability are materially false.
7. The total unpaid court costs across all five cause numbers (CC-25-07137, CC-25-07362, CC-25-07553, CC-25-07721, and CC-25-08029) amount to **\$8,780.00**, comprised of filing fees and service-of-citation costs that Plaintiff has avoided paying through materially false sworn statements.
8. Plaintiff has engaged in a pattern of filing meritless, repetitive lawsuits targeting members and leadership of East Gate Missionary Baptist Church for more than eight years, beginning with the federal action filed in 2018 and continuing through the present consolidated cases naming more than sixty-four defendants.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

I. VEXATIOUS LITIGANT DECLARATION

Plaintiff Darren L. Reagan is hereby **DECLARED A VEXATIOUS LITIGANT** pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code §§ 11.051–11.054. The Court finds that both statutory criteria under § 11.054 are satisfied: Plaintiff has no reasonable probability of success in the litigation (§ 11.054(1)), and Plaintiff has commenced, prosecuted, or maintained at least five qualifying pro se litigations within the preceding seven years that were finally determined adversely or found frivolous (§ 11.054(2)).

II. SECURITY REQUIREMENT

Pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code § 11.055, Plaintiff shall furnish security for the benefit of Defendants in the amount of \$ \$10,000.00 within **thirty (30)** days of the date of this Order. The security shall be in the form of an undertaking by the Plaintiff to assure payment to Defendants of their reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and costs, incurred in or in connection with a litigation commenced, prosecuted, or maintained by Plaintiff.

III. DISMISSAL FOR FAILURE TO FURNISH SECURITY

Pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code § 11.056, if Plaintiff fails to furnish the security required by Section II of this Order within the time stated, this cause and all consolidated causes **SHALL BE DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. The Court notes that § 11.056 employs mandatory language ("shall"), leaving no judicial discretion on this point.

IV. PREFILING ORDER

Pursuant to Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code § 11.101, the Court enters the following prefiling order:

- (a) Plaintiff Darren L. Reagan is **PROHIBITED** from filing any new pro se litigation in any court in the State of Texas without first obtaining leave of the local administrative judge of the county in which the litigation is to be filed.

- (b) The clerk of this Court shall **promptly notify** the Office of Court Administration of the State of Texas of this prefiling order for inclusion in the vexatious litigant registry maintained under § 11.104.
- (c) A copy of this Order shall be provided to the local administrative judge of Dallas County.
- (d) This prefiling order shall remain in effect indefinitely or until modified or vacated by a court of competent jurisdiction.

V. RULE 145 — CONTEST OF INABILITY TO PAY SUSTAINED

Defendants' contest of Plaintiff's Statement of Inability to Afford Payment of Court Costs under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 145 is **SUSTAINED**. The Court finds, based on the evidence presented, that Plaintiff's sworn Statements of Inability are materially false within the meaning of Rule 145(e)(1).

Plaintiff is **ORDERED** to pay all accrued and unpaid court costs in the total amount of **\$8,780.00** across all five cause numbers (CC-25-07137, CC-25-07362, CC-25-07553, CC-25-07721, and CC-25-08029) within **thirty (30) days** of the date of this Order. Failure to pay shall result in dismissal of any remaining claims for want of prosecution.

SIGNED this _____ day of 7/13/2026 2:17:03 PM, 2026.



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