

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

WILLIAM WINDSOR,
Plaintiff,

CASE NO. 2018-CA-010270-O

vs.

ROBERT KEITH LONGEST, an individual, and BOISE CASCADE BUILDING MATERIALS
DISTRIBUTION, L.L.C., a Foreign Limited Liability Company,
Defendants.

CERTIFICATE THAT MOTION TO DISQUALIFY IS
MADE AND/OR FILED IN GOOD FAITH

1. I, William M. Windsor, hereby certify that my Motion to Disqualify and my Affidavit of Prejudice are both made and/or filed in good faith.
2. All facts are true and correct.
3. I have no “counsel of record.” I am a party. I have been pro se, so I am my own counsel, and I am providing this to meet the requirements.
4. There does not appear to be an appellate decision in the State of Florida regarding pro se parties in a disqualification of the judge. Federal case law provides that a pro se party is entitled to sign such a Certificate himself.
5. *Stine v. United States*, No. V-06-21 (S.D.Tex. 11/07/2008) cites 13 cases, including one federal appellate court decision, stating that a pro se litigant may file the certificate of good faith, signed by himself, indicating that his motion and affidavit are filed in good faith.
6. The 2008 decision in *Stine v. United States* was: “...both the weight of authority, including reasonable inference from a Fifth Circuit statement, and the most logical reasoning are on the side of holding that a pro se litigant must sign a certificate when making a section 144

motion.”

7. **Stine** also states: “The Fifth Circuit has intimated, without expressly so stating, that even a pro se litigant must file such a certificate, signed by himself, indicating that his motion and affidavit are filed in good faith. See *Parker v. Bd. of Supervisors Univ. of Louisiana-Lafayette*, 270 Fed. Appx. 314, 316 (5th Cir. 2008) (“*Parker* failed to accompany his motion asserting bias with a ‘timely and sufficient affidavit’ and a ‘certificate of counsel of record stating that it is made in good faith,’ even if signed by himself pro se, as required by § 144.”). Other courts have joined in allowing pro se litigants to file this certificate. See *United States v. Collins*, 203 Fed. Appx. 712, 714 (7th Cir. 2006); *Everson v. Liberty Mut. Assurance Co.*, Civ. No. 1:05-2459, 2008 WL 1766956 (N.D. Ga. Apr. 14, 2008); *Apel v. Davis*, Civ. No. 3:07-475, 2007 WL 4531521 (N.D. Fla. Dec. 14, 2007); *United States v. Goldston*, Civ. No. 06-2153, 2007 WL 3090775 (D. Colo. Oct. 19, 2007); *United States v. Pungitore*, Civ. No. 97-2972, 2003 WL 22657087 (E.D. Pa. Oct. 24, 2003); *Heimbecker v. 555 Assocs.*, Civ. No. 01-6140, 2003 WL 21652182 (E.D. Pa. Mar. 26, 2003); *Vassilos v. Petersen*, Civ. No. 92-6456, 1992 WL 345044 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 12, 1992); *United States v. Jones*, Crim. No. 89-61E, 1989 WL 58544 (W.D.N.Y. June 2, 1989); *Kersh v. Borden Chemical*, 689 F. Supp. 1457 (E.D. Mich. 1988)... *In re: Request for Recusal of District Judge*, Misc. No. 3-94-30, 1994 WL 1631038 (S.D. Ohio Oct. 12, 1994) (“Of course here the Plaintiff is proceeding pro se, so no counsel’s certificate is required.”); *Trinsey v. K. Hovanian at Upper Merion, Inc.*, Civ. No. 93-1695, 1993 WL 313510 (E.D. Pa. July 28, 1993).”

Respectfully submitted this 17th day of March, 2023,

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VERIFICATION

My name is William M. Windsor. My date of birth is October 2, 1948. My address is 5013 S Louise Ave #1134, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57108, Lincoln County, USA.

Pursuant to Florida Statute 92.525, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct based upon my personal knowledge.

This 17th day of March, 2023 in Lake Panasoffkee, Florida,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by Electronic Mail or United States Postal Service:

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