**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
**NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**
**EASTERN DIVISION**

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| In the Matter of | ) | |
| | ) | Civil Action No. |
| John R. Demos | ) | 06 C 0193 |
| Plaintiff, *pro se* | ) | |

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ORDER

Since 1994, Mr. Demos has filed at least 17 lawsuits in this Court; many of which were dismissed due to lack of subject jurisdiction, or because Mr. Demos failed to advise the court that he has "struck out". A December 9, 2005 memorandum from the chambers of Judge Shadur suggested that the Executive Committee consider placing restrictions upon Mr. Demos's filing capabilities.

It is the judgment of the Executive Committee that reasonable and necessary restraints must be imposed upon Mr. Demos's ability to file civil cases in this District *pro se*.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** in its capacity as the supervisor of the assignment of cases, that ------

1) Mr. John R. Demos , or anyone acting on his behalf, is enjoined from filing any new civil action or proceeding in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois without first obtaining leave by way of the following procedures:

   a) Any materials Mr. Demos, or anyone acting on his behalf, wishes to submit for filing shall be delivered to Room 2050, Office of the Clerk at the Courthouse in Chicago. Only the Clerk or deputies specifically designated by the Clerk may accept such documents.

   b) Where the document submitted is a complaint, it shall be accompanied by a motion captioned "Motion Seeking Leave to File Pursuant to Order of Executive Committee." That motion shall, in addition to requesting leave to file the complaint, include a sworn statement certifying that the claims raised by or on behalf of Mr. Demos in the complaint are new claims never before raised in any federal court.

   c) Whenever Mr. Demos submits a document for filing, the clerk or designated deputy shall accept the papers, stamp them received, docket them, and forward them to the Executive Committee.

2) The Executive Committee will examine any complaints submitted by or on behalf of Mr. Demos to determine whether they should be filed.

3) If Mr. Demos seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*, the Committee will also determine if such leave should be granted. The Committee will deny leave to file any complaints if they are legally frivolous or are merely duplicative of matters already litigated. The Committee may deny leave to file any complaints not filed in conformity with this order.

4) If the Executive Committee enters an order denying leave to file the materials, the clerk shall retain the order and a copy of the materials in the miscellaneous file and cause a copy of the order to be mailed to Mr. Demos.

5) If the Executive Committee enters an order granting leave to file the materials, the clerk will cause the materials to be stamped filed as of the date of the order and shall cause the case to be assigned to a judge in accordance with the rules. The clerk shall also cause a copy of the order to be mailed to Mr. Demos.

6) Mr. Demos's failure to comply with this order may, within the discretion of the Executive Committee, result in his being held in contempt of court and punished accordingly.

7) Nothing in this order shall be construed -----

   a) to affect Mr. Demos's ability to defend himself in any criminal action,

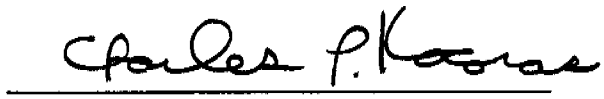
   b) to deny Mr. Demos access to the federal courts through the filing of a petition for a writ of habeas corpus or other extraordinary writ, or

   c) to deny Mr. Demos access to the United States Court of Appeals or the United States Supreme Court.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** That the Clerk shall cause to be created and maintained a miscellaneous file with the title "In the matter of John R. Demos " and case number 06 C 0193. The miscellaneous file shall serve as the repository of this order, all documents proffered for filing by Mr. Demos covered by the terms of this order for which authority to file is not granted, and any order or minute order entered pursuant to this order. The Clerk will also maintain a miscellaneous docket associated with the file. All orders retained in the file will be entered on that docket following standard docketing procedures. A brief entry will be made on the docket indicating the receipt of any materials from Mr. Demos.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** That the Clerk shall cause a copy of this order to be mailed to Mr. Demos at #287455, Washington-WSP, 1313 North 13th Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, the address given by Mr. Demos in documents received on December 7, 2005. Such mailing shall be by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested.

**ENTER:**
**FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**



Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 12th day of January, 2006