

CAUSE NO. D-1-GN-26-005701

CRAE ROBERT PEASE, <i>Plaintiff,</i>	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
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VS.	§	TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
	§	
TOMMY HERBERT MURPHY <i>Defendant.</i>	§	
	§	459 th DISTRICT COURT

**ORDER DETERMINING PLAINTIFF CRAE ROBERT PEASE A
VEXATIOUS LITIGANT REQUIRING SECURITY, AND FOR A PRE-FILING ORDER**

On October 20, 2026, the Court heard Defendant Tommy Herbert Murphy's Motion for an Order Determining Plaintiff Crae Robert Pease a Vexatious Litigant, Requiring Security, and for a Prefiling Order pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §§ 11.051–11.101 (the "Motion"). The Court considered the Motion, Defendant's Reply, the written and oral evidence presented pursuant to § 11.053(b), Plaintiff's Response, and the parties' arguments, and finds and orders as follows.

1. The Motion was timely filed on September 5, 2026, within 90 days of Defendant's filing of his Original Answer, as required by Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.051. This litigation has been stayed since that date by operation of § 11.052.

2. The Court FINDS that there is not a reasonable probability that Plaintiff Crae Robert Pease will prevail in this litigation against Defendant Tommy Herbert Murphy.

3. The Court FINDS that, in the seven-year period immediately preceding the date Defendant filed the Motion, Plaintiff ***commenced, prosecuted, or maintained*** at least five lawsuits as a pro se litigant, other than in small claims court, that were finally determined adversely to Plaintiff, within the meaning of Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.054(1)(A), including, without limitation,

- a) Cause No. D-1-GN-21-000312 (201st District Court);
- b) Cause No. D-1-GN-24-004625 (459th District Court), affirmed in No. 03-24-00771-CV (Tex. App.—Austin July 24, 2025);
- c) Cause No. J4-CV-24-004516 (Justice Court, Precinct 4) and its de novo appeal, Cause No. C-1-CV-25-000137 (County Court at Law No. 2);
- d) Cause No. D-1-GN-24-005031 (455th District Court);

- e) Cause No. D-1-GN-25-005448 (419th District Court); and
- f) Cause No. D-1-GN-26-000543 (201st District Court).

4. The Court FURTHER FINDS that, in the seven-year period immediately preceding the date Defendant filed the Motion, Plaintiff ***commenced, prosecuted, or maintained*** at least five lawsuits as a pro se litigant, other than in small claims court, that were determined by a trial or appellate court to be frivolous or groundless under state law or rules of procedure, within the meaning of Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.054(1)(C), including, without limitation,

- a) Cause No. D-1-GN-21-000312;
- b) Cause No. D-1-GN-24-004625;
- c) Cause No. C-1-CV-25-000137;
- d) Cause No. D-1-GN-24-005031; and
- e) Cause No. D-1-GN-25-005448.

5. The Court FURTHER FINDS that, after Cause Nos. D-1-GN-25-005448 and D-1-GN-26-000543 were finally determined against Plaintiff, Plaintiff has repeatedly relitigated or attempted to relitigate, pro se, the causes of action, claims, controversies, and issues of fact and law determined and concluded by those final determinations, including the ownership of the real property legally known as LOT 8-B BURCH IDA MAE ESTATE, according to the map and plat records of Travis County, Texas, and commonly known as 4300 Burch Drive, Del Valle, Texas 78617 (the “Property”); the validity of the Final Judgment signed August 16, 2017 in Cause No. D-1-GN-16-005254; and Plaintiff’s lack of any ownership or possessory interest in the Property and lack of standing, against the same defendant as to whom those litigations were finally determined, Tommy Herbert Murphy, within the meaning of Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.054(2)(B).

6. Each of the findings in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 is independently sufficient, together with the finding in paragraph 2, to support the determination below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant's Motion is GRANTED and that Plaintiff Crae Robert Pease is a VEXATIOUS LITIGANT as that term is defined by Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.054.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.055, Plaintiff Crae Robert Pease shall furnish security for the benefit of Defendant Tommy Herbert Murphy in the amount of \$68,840.00, by depositing that sum in cash into the registry of the Court, or by posting a surety bond in that amount approved by the Clerk, on or before **November 20, 2026**. The security is an undertaking by Plaintiff to assure payment to Defendant of Defendant's reasonable expenses incurred in or in connection with this litigation, including costs and attorney's fees.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.056, if Plaintiff does not furnish the security within the time set by this Order, this litigation shall be DISMISSED as to Defendant Tommy Herbert Murphy upon Defendant's filing of a notice of non-compliance, and that, pursuant to § 11.057, if this litigation is dismissed on its merits, Defendant has recourse to the security in an amount determined by the Court.

PREFILING ORDER. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.101, that Plaintiff Crae Robert Pease, having been found to be a vexatious litigant after notice and hearing, is PROHIBITED from filing, pro se, any new litigation in a court of this state without first obtaining permission as follows:

- (a) Plaintiff must seek the permission of (1) the local administrative judge of the type of court in which Plaintiff intends to file, or (2) the local administrative district judge of the county in which Plaintiff intends to file if Plaintiff intends to file in a justice or constitutional county court. Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.102(a).
- (b) Plaintiff shall provide a copy of any request for permission to all defendants named in the proposed litigation. The local administrative judge may make a determination on the request with or without a hearing and may require Plaintiff to provide notice of any hearing to all such defendants. Id. § 11.102(b)–(c).

- (c) Permission may be granted only if it appears to the local administrative judge that the proposed litigation has merit and has not been filed for the purposes of harassment or delay, and may be conditioned on the furnishing of security for the benefit of the defendant. Id. § 11.102(d)–(e).
- (d) A decision denying permission or conditioning it on security is not grounds for appeal, except that Plaintiff may apply for a writ of mandamus with the court of appeals not later than the 30th day after the date of the decision. Id. § 11.102(f).
- (e) A clerk of a court may not file a litigation, original proceeding, appeal, or other claim presented, pro se, by Plaintiff unless Plaintiff obtains an order from the appropriate local administrative judge permitting the filing, except that a clerk of a court of appeals may file an appeal from this prefiling order or a timely filed writ of mandamus. Id. § 11.103(a), (d). If a clerk mistakenly files such a litigation without such an order, any party may file a notice that Plaintiff is a vexatious litigant subject to a prefiling order, whereupon the litigation shall be stayed and shall be dismissed unless Plaintiff, not later than the 10th day after the notice is filed, obtains an order permitting the filing. Id. § 11.103(b)–(c).

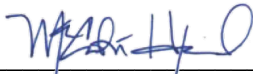
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.104, the Clerk of this Court shall provide the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System a copy of this prefiling order not later than the 30th day after the date it is signed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a person who disobeys this Order is subject to contempt of court. Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 11.101(b).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's requests in his Response that the stay be lifted and that Defendant be prohibited from citing or relying upon orders entered against Dessie Maria Andrews are DENIED.

All other relief requested in this motion and not expressly granted herein is DENIED.

SIGNED this 23rd day of October, 2026.



JUDGE PRESIDING