STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF CLAIMS

JEIMSTER RENZ CASIMIRO CRUZATA,

Plaintiff,

v Case No. 25-000079-MT

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, Hon. James Robert Redford

Defendant.
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ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S 10/21/25 MOTION FOR A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT AS MOOT AND ALTERNATIVE MOTION TO STRIKE FOR LACK OF MERIT

Plaintiff filed suit on May 13, 2025, and filed a first amended complaint later the same day. Neither the original nor first amended complaint were verified as required by MCL 600.6431(2) of the Court of Claims Act. On May 14, 2025, the Court directed plaintiff to show cause why the case should not be dismissed, and plaintiff responded by filing a verified second amended complaint later that day.

In lieu of an answer, on October 21, 2025, defendant moved for a more definite statement. Defendant asserted that because the second amended complaint was entitled a "supplemental" complaint, defendant could not ascertain whether it was required to answer the earlier complaints as well. In the alternative, defendant sought to strike the second amended complaint as filed without Court permission. On October 24, 2025, plaintiff clarified that the May 14, 2025 second amended complaint superseded the initial and first amended complaint.

Plaintiff's October 24, 2025 response rendered defendant's motion for a more definite statement MOOT and the Court DENIES that motion. Further, the second amended complaint was filed with Court permission because it was filed in response to this Court's order to show cause. Accordingly, defendant's motion to strike is also DENIED. Defendant is directed to answer the complaint within 14 days of entry of this order.

This is not a final order resolving all issues in this case.

Date: October 28th, 2025

James Robert Redford
Judge, Court of Claims