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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

LAWRENCE J. GERRANS, AKA Larry
Gerrans,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

ERHAN GUNDAY; ES MEDICAL, LLC;
CHARLES N. WANG Ph. D.; ALEX
HSIA; LON CHU; DIANA TA; DENNIS
MEYER; LLOYD YARBROUGH; KEVIN
BROWN; CHISTOPHER M. GERRANS;
WHITNEY GERRANS; UNKNOWN
PARTY, named as PHUC Main; JERRY
KATZMAN, President and CEO of
Sanovas, Inc.; STEVE BAYERN; ROBIN
HARRIS, Assistant United States Attorney,

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 25-331

D.C. No. 3:24-cv-02187-JSC

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
Jacqueline Scott Corley, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 22, 2026**

* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent
except as provided by Ninth Circuit Rule 36-3.

** The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision
without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Before: LEE, DESAI, and JOHNSTONE, Circuit Judges.

Lawrence J. Gerrans appeals pro se from the district court's order denying his motion to proceed in forma pauperis ("IFP") in his action brought under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. We have jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1291. We review for abuse of discretion. *O'Loughlin v. Doe*, 920 F.2d 614, 616 (9th Cir.1990). We affirm.

The district court did not abuse its discretion by denying Gerrans's motion to proceed IFP because Gerrans already paid the filing fee. *See Lipscomb v. Madigan*, 221 F.2d 798 (9th Cir. 1955) (an appeal from the denial of an IFP application after payment of the filing fee is moot).

We do not consider the merits of Gerrans's claims because they are outside the scope of this appeal.

All pending motions are denied.

AFFIRMED.