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Clerk of Court
United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse

111 South 10th Street, Room 24.329
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Re: Kirchner v. Ellison, No. 26-1615
Notice of Case Number for Refiled District Court Action

Dear Clerk of Court:

Appellant's Opening Brief, electronically filed May 12, 2026 (Entry ID 5639443), states at page 1 that Appellant has "separately refiled the substantive Chapter 8 claims as a new action in the District of Minnesota" and "seeks only procedural relief on appeal." At the time the brief was finalized, the refiled district court action had not yet been assigned a case number.

The refiled action has now been docketed as *Kirchner v. Ellison*, No. 0:26-cv-02594-LMP-DJF (D. Minn.), filed May 12, 2026. The matter was initially assigned to Judge Jeffrey M. Bryan, who recused on May 14, 2026 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 455 (Doc 6); it is now assigned to Judge Laura M. Provinzino, with Magistrate Judge Dulce J. Foster referred.

This letter is submitted for the Court's information and to ensure a complete docket record. No relief is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Joseph Kirchner

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Dated: May 18, 2026