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This record, docket number 52623, can be found on page 2 in Volume 33. As there are usually only around five or six entries per page, it is not necessary to have the docket number to successfully use these indexes. The indexes are, however, only useful when the Plaintiff's name is known, as well as either the Docket number or date range of the specific case.

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