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# UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

ROBERTO HERRERA,

No. 13-15872

Plaintiff - Appellant,

D.C. No. 2:10-cv-01280-GEB-

**DAD** 

V.

BURGETT,

MEMORANDUM\*

Defendant - Appellee.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California Garland E. Burrell, Jr., District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 7, 2014\*\*

Before: TASHIMA, GRABER, and IKUTA, Circuit Judges.

California state prisoner Roberto Herrera appeals pro se from the district court's judgment dismissing his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action alleging that defendant was deliberately indifferent to his serious medical needs by failing to refill his pain medication prescription. We have jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1291. We review

<sup>\*</sup> This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

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

for an abuse of discretion a dismissal for failure to comply with a court order, *Pagtalunan v. Galaza*, 291 F.3d 639, 640 (9th Cir. 2002), and an order denying a request for appointment of counsel, *Terrell v. Brewer*, 935 F.2d 1015, 1017 (9th Cir. 1991). We affirm.

The district court did not abuse its discretion in dismissing without prejudice Herrera's action because Herrera failed to comply with the court's order to submit timely service documents or present good cause for his failure to do so. *See Pagtalunan*, 291 F.3d at 642-43 (discussing factors relevant to dismissal for failure to comply with a court order); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) (requiring service within 120 days after the complaint is filed unless "plaintiff shows good cause for the failure" to serve); *Oyama v. Sheehan (In re Sheehan)*, 253 F.3d 507, 512 (9th Cir. 2001) (discussing "good cause").

The district court did not abuse its discretion in denying Herrera's motion for appointment of counsel because Herrera failed to demonstrate exceptional circumstances. *See Terrell*, 935 F.2d at 1017 (explaining that counsel may only be appointed in "exceptional circumstances").

### AFFIRMED.

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