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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY AT LOUISVILLE

## GENE DESHAWN M. WATKINS

**PLAINTIFF** 

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:16-CV-519-GNS

WHAS 11 DEFENDANT

## **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Plaintiff Gene DeShawn M. Watkins filed this pro se action. This matter is before the Court for initial review of the complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2) and McGore v. Wrigglesworth, 114 F.3d 601, 608 (6th Cir. 1997), overruled on other grounds by Jones v. Bock, 549 U.S. 199 (2007). For the reasons that follow, the Court will dismiss this action.

## I. SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT

In Plaintiff's complaint, he states as follows:

In 2006 I came up w' the cure for cancer it's the late stages of colon liquid that's the cure also in 2006 I Emailed to ABC a run that is undeafed and it been undeafed for over decade it has made 150 billions zero's in the decade I came up with the method of how to make skin its estrogen and the liquid from the plasma place I emailed all those Idea's to ABC the run is quarter sprint quarter jog quarter sprint quarter job I suein for mental and emotional stress this has caused me over the decade I just want my money and the truth . . .

The Omni hotel is mine its going to be like a hotel/hospital to extract the cure from women and put them on ITV to model the product also to future customers my sister was murdered May/19/2014 I was highly successful in 2006 I feel my life is in danger a horse groomer was killed by the winnin horse my sister was murdered and some white woman from ABC was murdered in a foreign country that was on TV and the horse groomer murder was on TV...

In a supplement filed with this complaint, Plaintiff restates some of the above allegations and then adds the following:

I came w/a method of Makin Skin company name is Nuskin all of this on the stock market I emailed the Idea's cuz they already was bein stolen by the feds cuz the feds bugged my mom house.

Plaintiff seeks "\$100 bil monetary relief."

## II. ANALYSIS

Upon review under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e), a district court must dismiss a case at any time if it determines that the action is frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or seeks monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B). In order to survive dismissal for failure to state a claim, "a complaint must contain sufficient factual matter, accepted as true, to 'state a claim to relief that is plausible on its face." Ashcroft v. Iqbal, 556 U.S. 662, 678 (2009) (quoting Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly, 550 U.S. 544, 570 (2007)). "[A] district court must (1) view the complaint in the light most favorable to the plaintiff and (2) take all well-pleaded factual allegations as true." Tackett v. M & G Polymers, USA, LLC, 561 F.3d 478, 488 (6th Cir. 2009) (citing Gunasekera v. Irwin, 551 F.3d 461, 466 (6th Cir. 2009) (citations omitted)). However, this Court is not required to create a claim for Plaintiff. Clark v. *Nat'l Travelers Life Ins. Co.*, 518 F.2d 1167, 1169 (6th Cir. 1975).

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8(a)(2), a pleading must contain a "short and plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief." In other words, "a... complaint must contain either direct or inferential allegations respecting all the material elements to sustain a recovery under some viable legal theory." Scheid v. Fanny Farmer Candy Shops, Inc., 859 F.2d 434, 436 (6th Cir. 1988) (citations and internal quotation marks omitted). "A claim has facial plausibility when the plaintiff pleads factual content that allows the court to draw the reasonable inference that the defendant is liable for the misconduct alleged." Ashcroft v. Iqbal, 556 U.S. at 678 (citing Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly, 550 U.S. at 556). "Factual allegations must be enough to raise a right to relief above the speculative level." Bell Atl. Corp.

v. Twombly, 550 U.S. at 555. A complaint does not suffice if it tenders "naked assertion[s] devoid of further factual enhancement." Iqbal, 556 U.S. at 678 (quoting Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly, 550 U.S. at 555, 557).

A review of Plaintiff's complaint reveals that he has failed to meet the pleading standard required by Rule 8(a)(2). Plaintiff's complaint is devoid of factual matter that would allow the Court to draw a reasonable inference that the named Defendant is liable for any alleged misconduct. Plaintiff's allegations are rambling and difficult to understand. The complaint does not contain sufficient factual matter that, if accepted as true, states "a claim to relief that is plausible on its face." Id. (quoting Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly, 550 U.S. at 570). Although this Court recognizes that pro se pleadings are to be held to a less stringent standard than formal pleadings drafted by lawyers, Haines v. Kerner, 404 U.S. 519 (1972), the duty "does not require us to conjure up unpled allegations." McDonald v. Hall, 610 F.2d 16, 19 (1st Cir. 1979). As previously stated, this Court is not required to create a claim for Plaintiff. Clark v. Nat'l Travelers Life Ins. Co., 518 F.2d at 1169. To do so would require the "courts to explore exhaustively all potential claims of a pro se plaintiff, [and] would also transform the district court from its legitimate advisory role to the improper role of an advocate seeking out the strongest arguments and most successful strategies for a party." Beaudett v. City of Hampton, 775 F.2d 1274, 1278 (4th Cir. 1985).

Accordingly, this action must be dismissed for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

Additionally, "a district court may, at any time, sua sponte dismiss a complaint for lack of subject-matter jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure when the allegations of a complaint are totally implausible, attenuated, unsubstantial, frivolous,

devoid of merit, or no longer open to discussion." Apple v. Glenn, 183 F.3d 477, 479 (6th Cir.

1999) (citing Hagans v. Lavine, 415 U.S. 528, 536-37 (1974)). The allegations in Plaintiff's

complaint meet this standard. The instant action must, therefore, also be dismissed for lack of

subject-matter jurisdiction.

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's complaint will be dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

§ 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii) for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted and for lack of

subject-matter jurisdiction under Rule 12(b)(1) in accordance with Apple v. Glenn. The Court

will enter an Order consistent with this Memorandum Opinion.

Date: November 14, 2016

Greg N. Stivers, Judge **United States District Court** 

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Plaintiff, pro se Defendant

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