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United States District Court Southern District of Texas

## **ENTERED**

May 24, 2021 Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

CHARLTON REED TIPTON,	§	
Plaintiff,	§ §	
VS.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:21-CV-101
	§	
BOBBY LUMPKIN,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	

## OPINION AND ORDER OF TRANSFER

This is a civil action filed by a Texas state prisoner. Plaintiff Charlton Tipton is currently incarcerated at the John B. Connally Unit in Kenedy, Texas, which is located in Karnes County. In his complaint, Plaintiff challenges conditions relating to his confinement. Specifically, Plaintiff alleges he was physically assaulted at his current unit on April 22, 2021. (D.E. 1). Plaintiff previously filed a civil action with this Court, Case No. 2:21-cv-11, which was appropriately transferred to the Western District of Texas as neither Plaintiff nor his complaints have any connection to this District.

A civil action wherein jurisdiction is not founded solely on diversity of citizenship may be brought in (1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same state, or (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred. 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). In addition, for the convenience of parties and witnesses, and in the interest of justice, a district court may

transfer any civil action to any other district or division where it might have been

brought. 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

In this case, the events about which Plaintiff complains occurred in Karnes

County, Texas. None of the Defendants reside or are found in the Corpus Christi

Division of the Southern District of Texas. Karnes County lies within the San Antonio

Division of the Western District of Texas. 28 U.S.C. § 124(d)(4). Therefore, the

interests of justice would be served by a transfer to the San Antonio Division of the

Western District of Texas. Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that this case be transferred to

the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division.

All pending motions are **DENIED** as moot subject to re-filing after the case is

transferred. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** this case.

Plaintiff is advised not to file any additional writs or civil actions with this Court

unless such cases have a connection, as stated above, with the Southern District of Texas,

Corpus Christi Division. Failure to comply with this Order will result in the imposition

of sanctions.

ORDERED this 24th day of May, 2021.

Jason B. Libby

United States Magistrate Judge