STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF APPEALS

CHARLES EDWARD GORDON, a/k/a C. EDWARD GORDON,

UNPUBLISHED February 17, 2004

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v

WAYNE COUNTY CLERK, BELLEVILLE CITY CLERK, CITY OF BELLEVILLE, PLYMOUTH DEPUTY CITY CLERK and CITY OF PLYMOUTH, No. 244171 Wayne Circuit Court LC No. 02-230809-CZ

Defendants-Appellees.

Before: Schuette, P.J., and Meter and Owens, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Plaintiff appeals as of right from a circuit court order dismissing his complaint. We affirm. This appeal is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

To the extent plaintiff challenges the trial court's decision to hear argument on motions in his absence, the issue has not been preserved for appeal because plaintiff failed to include it in his statement of questions presented. *Busch v Holmes*, 256 Mich App 4, 12; 662 NW2d 64 (2003).

Next, plaintiff's challenge to the trial court's ruling on the merits of his complaint is also deemed abandoned because he failed to brief the merits of the issues presented and to cite any applicable authority in support of his position. *Prince v MacDonald*, 237 Mich App 186, 197; 602 NW2d 834 (1999).

In any event, the statutes relied on by plaintiff do not establish a claim on which relief can be granted. MCR 2.116(C)(8). The trial court did not err in granting defendant's motion for summary disposition.

Affirmed.

/s/ Bill Schuette /s/ Patrick M. Meter /s/ Donald S. Owens