

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

No. 16-11107
Summary Calendar

United States Court of Appeals
Fifth Circuit

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CHRISTOPHER LEE GAITHER,

Plaintiff-Appellant

v.

GREGORY S. DAVID, Assistant Warden; RAY D. CRUZ, Captain; GENE W. SMITH, Captain; DEANA R. DAVIS, Correctional Officer V; ANDREW M. GRATZ, Sergeant,

Defendants-Appellees

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Texas
USDC No. 2:15-CV-104

Before JOLLY, SMITH, and GRAVES, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Christopher Lee Gaither, Texas prisoner # 01821218, appeals the dismissal of his civil rights complaint against several prison officials under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. However, after Gaither filed his appellate brief in this court, the district court granted Gaither's motion under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 59(e) and reopened the case. Because the district court explicitly

* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

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vacated the judgment of dismissal from which Gaither appealed, this appeal does not present a live controversy and is moot. *See Rocky v. King*, 900 F.2d 864, 867 (5th Cir. 1990). Accordingly, the appeal is DISMISSED as MOOT, and Gaither's motion for appointment of counsel is DENIED.