United States Court of Appeals For the Eighth Circuit

No. 13-2548

David Anthony Stebbins

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

Legal Aid of Arkansas

Defendant - Appellee

Appeal from United States District Court for the Western District of Arkansas - Harrison

> Submitted: December 4, 2013 Filed: December 9, 2013 [Unpublished]

Before WOLLMAN, BYE, and KELLY, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

David Stebbins appeals the district court's¹ denial of his motion to set aside judgment on the ground of judicial bias. After careful review, we hold that the court

¹The Honorable P.K. Holmes, III, Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Arkansas.

did not abuse its discretion in denying the motion because no exceptional circumstances warranted relief from the judgment, <u>see Harley v. Zoesch</u>, 413 F.3d 866, 871 (8th Cir. 2005) (standard for granting Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b)(6) motion), and Stebbins did not make a showing of judicial bias by pointing to adverse rulings in other cases he has brought, <u>see Am. Prairie Constr. Co. v. Hoich</u>, 560 F.3d 780, 789-90 (8th Cir. 2009) (movant bears substantial burden of proving judicial partiality); <u>see also In re Tyler</u>, 839 F.2d 1290, 1290-91, 1295 (8th Cir. 1988) (per curiam) (court has discretion to place reasonable filing restrictions on litigant who flagrantly and repeatedly abuses judicial process by filing numerous meritless lawsuits).

Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.