IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF DIVISION

KENNY COFFEY ADC # 86434

PLAINTIFF

v.

5:13-cv-274-DPM-JJV

GRANT HARRIS, Warden; JAMES BANKS, Warden; MARK CASHION, Warden; KAY HOWELL, Warden; DANNY BURL, Warden; JENKINS, Classification Officer; CURTIS-TYLER, Classification Officer; LISA WALKER, Classification Officer; DAVID BREWER, Classification Officer; VALARIE WESTBROOK, Classification Officer; and RAY HOBBS, Director

DEFENDANTS

<u>ORDER</u>

The Court has reviewed Magistrate Judge Joe J. Volpe's Proposed Findings and Recommendations, N_{e} 3, and Coffey's objections, N_{e} 4. On *de novo* review, the Court declines to accept the proposal. FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b)(3). Coffey is not a "three-striker" under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). Although he accumulated strikes in *Coffey v. Hobbs*, 2:11-cv-172-BSM (E.D. Ark. 6 Sept. 2012), and *Coffey v. Sammons*, 3:01-cv-146-SMR (E.D. Ark. 27 Sept. 2001), his failure to prosecute his action diligently in *Coffey v. Latham*, 3:01-cv-157-SMR (E.D. Ark. 29 March 2002), does not constitute a strike. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g); *see also, Williams v. Harmon*, 294 F. App'x 243, 245 (8th Cir. 2008) – this unpublished opinion is the only Eighth Circuit authority on point. It can be relied upon in a bind because it is a 2008 case. FED. R. APP. P. 32.1; 8TH CIR. R. 32.1A.

So Ordered.

D.P. Marshall Jr. United States District Judge

3 October 2013