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> IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS

TEXARKANA DIVISION

BRIAN E. LEE **PLAINTIFF** 

CIVIL NO. 4:13-cv-04125 v.

**HEATH ROSS DEFENDANT** 

**ORDER** 

Plaintiff has filed a motion to amend his complaint. ECF No. 6. He wants to add a claim that

his constitutional rights were violated when he was locked down for a disciplinary violation without

a hearing or an opportunity to tell his side of the story.

The motion (ECF No. 6) is denied. Plaintiff did not file a grievance regarding this claim until

January 5, 2014. He filed this case on December 30, 2013. The Prison Litigation Reform Act

requires that a Plaintiff exhaust his administrative remedies or grievance procedure before he files

suit.

While this claim cannot be added to this case, the Court directs the Clerk to file the motion

to amend as a complaint and open a new case. A copy of this order shall also be filed in the newly

opened case. The Clerk is directed to send Plaintiff an in forma pauperis (IFP) application and a

form complaint to be used in cases brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff is directed to submit

the completed IFP application and complaint to the Court by February 7, 2014. Failure to comply

with this order will result in the dismissal of this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 24th day of January 2014.

/s/ Barry A. Bryant

HON. BARRY A. BRYANT

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE