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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GREGORY LEE MCCALL,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
LINDA T. MCGREW,  
WARDEN; GUSTIN,  
ASSISTANT WARDEN; S.  
STIPE, EDUCATION  
TEACHER; J. TONEY,  
ASSISTANT WARDEN; M.  
SCHULDT, ASSISTANT  
SUPERVISOR OF  
EDUCATION,  
Defendants.

) Case No. CV 12-6687-VAP (DTB)  
)  
) ORDER REVOKING IN FORMA  
) PAUPERIS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. §  
) 1915(g)

Plaintiff, while a prisoner at the Federal Correctional Complex - Victorville II, in Adelanto, California, filed this pro se civil rights action on August 30, 2012, after plaintiff was granted leave to proceed without prepayment of the full filing fee. Prior to screening the Complaint for service, the Court ascertained that plaintiff had previously filed numerous federal lawsuits in a variety of federal judicial districts, and that in at least five (5) of these prior cases, courts have dismissed plaintiff's actions on the grounds that the complaint was frivolous, malicious, or failed to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. Specifically, the Court discovered the following:

1 (1) In McCall v. Pace, et al., Case No. 03-0755-CV-W-FJG-P (W.D. Mo. 2003) the  
2 action was dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(b)(1)); (2) in McCall v.  
3 Cornwell, et al., Case No. 03-0756-CV-W-FJG-P (W.D. Mo. 2003) the action was  
4 dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(b)(1)); (3) in McCall v. Sybrant, et al., Case  
5 No. 03-0757-CV-W-ODS-P (W.D. Mo. 2003) the action was dismissed pursuant to  
6 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(b)(1)); (4) in McCall v. Whipple, et al., Case No. 03-0015-CV-W-  
7 FJG-P (W.D. Mo. 2003) the action was dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §  
8 1915A(b)(1); and (5) in McCall v. Sybrant, Case No. 04-0126-CV-W-ODS-P (W.D.  
9 Mo. 2004) the action was dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A(b)(1) & (2).

10 Pursuant to the Prison Litigation Reform Action, a prisoner shall not be  
11 authorized pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1) to commence an action or proceeding  
12 without payment of the full filing fee if such prisoner “has, on 3 or more prior  
13 occasions, while incarcerated or detained in any facility, brought an action . . . that  
14 was dismissed on the grounds that it is frivolous, malicious, or fails to state a claim  
15 upon which relief may be granted.” 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

16 On September 7, 2012, the Court issued an Order to Show Cause (“OSC”)  
17 ordering plaintiff to show cause as to why the order granting him in forma pauperis  
18 status in this matter should not be vacated, and that the action be dismissed without  
19 prejudice pending payment of the full filing fee of \$350.00, in light of the information  
20 regarding plaintiff’s prior “strikes” under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

21 Specifically, the Court informed plaintiff in the OSC that it had ascertained that  
22 plaintiff had previously filed numerous federal lawsuits, and that, in at least five (5)  
23 of these prior cases, the court had dismissed plaintiff’s actions on the grounds that the  
24 complaints were frivolous, malicious, or failed to state a claim upon which relief may  
25 be granted.

26 On September 18, 2012 plaintiff filed his Response (“Response”) to the OSC  
27 wherein he asserts that “the imminent danger of serious physical injury was met in  
28 2003 and has continued to date.” (Response at 5.) Plaintiff further asserts that

1 “[c]areful review of the prisoners prior law suits were never dismissed as frivolous or  
2 malicious.” (Id.)

3 Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g) a prisoner may be excused from the three strikes  
4 provision precluding in forma pauperis status if “the prisoner is under imminent  
5 danger of serious physical injury.” 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). Plaintiff must demonstrate  
6 that he was “under imminent danger of serious physical injury” at the time he filed the  
7 complaint. Andrews v. Cervantes, 493 F.3d 1047, 1053, 1055 (9th Cir. 2007)  
8 (explaining that the exception to the three-strikes rule applies only “if the complaint  
9 makes a plausible allegation that the prisoner faced ‘imminent danger of serious  
10 physical injury’ at the time of filing”).<sup>1</sup> The Court must determine if: (1) The potential  
11 harm amounts to “serious physical injury” and; (2) whether the threat is “imminent.”  
12 Cervantes, 493 F.3d at 1055-56. Moreover, a prisoner fails to meet the exception  
13 where claims of imminent danger are conclusory. Cervantes, 493 F.3d at 1057 n. 11.

14 The Court has reviewed plaintiff’s Response, as well as the Complaint, and  
15 finds that plaintiff has failed to show cause as to why his in forma pauperis status in  
16 this matter should not be revoked pursuant to §1915(g), as plaintiff has had, on at least  
17 five prior occasions, while incarcerated, brought an action that was dismissed on the  
18 grounds that it was frivolous or because it failed to state a claim upon which relief  
19 could be granted. Although plaintiff asserts that at the time of filing the Complaint,  
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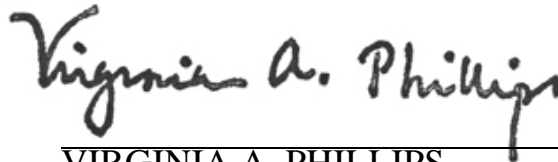
21 <sup>1</sup> As the Cervantes Court stated: “[a]lthough no other circuit has  
22 specifically addressed post-complaint changes in circumstance, all maintain a singular  
23 focus on the facts alleged in the complaint in deciding whether a prisoner faced the  
24 requisite harm. See, e.g., Ibrahim v. Dist. of Columbia, 463 F.3d 3, 6 (D.C.Cir. 2006)  
25 (“In determining whether he qualifies [for the ‘imminent danger’ exception], we look  
26 to the complaint. . . .”); Brown v. Johnson, 387 F.3d 1344, 1350 (11th Cir. 2004)  
27 (“[T]he issue [under § 1915(g) ] is whether his complaint, as a whole, alleges  
28 imminent danger of serious physical injury.”). We are in agreement with all of these  
cases in holding that it is the circumstances at the time of the filing of the complaint  
that matters for purposes of the “imminent danger” exception to § 1915(g).”  
Cervantes, 493 F.3d at 1053.

1 he was in imminent danger (*i.e.* the imminent danger of serious physical injury was  
2 met in 2003 and has continued to date), the Court disagrees. Plaintiff's Complaint  
3 alleges that defendants denied plaintiff access to the Inmate Trust Fund Copier; that  
4 defendants denied plaintiff copies in a bankruptcy proceeding; that defendants denied  
5 plaintiff access to the courts by denying him access to the copy machine; and that  
6 defendants are practicing law without a license by making legal determinations as to  
7 the content of plaintiff's legal matters. (Complaint at 7.) Plaintiff seeks a temporary  
8 restraining order restraining defendants from "implementing the order and carrying  
9 out their plan to hinder plaintiff's access to the court." (Complaint at 8.) Denial of  
10 access to the courts is not a sufficient claim to allege that plaintiff was in imminent  
11 danger of serious physical injury at the time he filed the Complaint.

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13 **CONCLUSION AND ORDER**

14 Accordingly, the Court hereby REVOKES plaintiff's in forma pauperis status.  
15 Plaintiff is ORDERED to pay the full filing fee of \$350.00 on or before December 5,  
16 2012. In the event plaintiff fails to pay the full \$350.00 filing fee by December 5,  
17 2012, this action will be dismissed without prejudice pending payment of the full  
18 filing fee.

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20 DATED: November 5, 2012



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VIRGINIA A. PHILLIPS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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23 Presented by:



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David T. Bristow  
United States Magistrate Judge