

FULL NAME

COMMITTED NAME (if different)

FULL ADDRESS INCLUDING NAME OF INSTITUTION

PRISON NUMBER (if applicable)

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

CASE NUMBER

*To be supplied by the Clerk*

v.  
PLAINTIFF,  
  
DEFENDANT(S).

**CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT  
PURSUANT TO** *(Check one)*

- 42 U.S.C. § 1983
- Bivens v. Six Unknown Agents 403 U.S. 388 (1971)

**A. PREVIOUS LAWSUITS**

1. Have you brought any other lawsuits in a federal court while a prisoner:  Yes  No
2. If your answer to "1." is yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the lawsuit in the space below. (If there is more than one lawsuit, describe the additional lawsuits on an attached piece of paper using the same outline.)

- a. Parties to this previous lawsuit:  
 Plaintiff \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Defendants \_\_\_\_\_  
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- b. Court \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Docket or case number \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Name of judge to whom case was assigned \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Disposition (For example: Was the case dismissed? If so, what was the basis for dismissal? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?) \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Issues raised: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Approximate date of filing lawsuit: \_\_\_\_\_
- h. Approximate date of disposition \_\_\_\_\_

**B. EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES**

1. Is there a grievance procedure available at the institution where the events relating to your current complaint occurred?  Yes  No
2. Have you filed a grievance concerning the facts relating to your current complaint?  Yes  No

If your answer is no, explain why not \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

3. Is the grievance procedure completed?  Yes  No

If your answer is no, explain why not \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please attach copies of papers related to the grievance procedure.

**C. JURISDICTION**

This complaint alleges that the civil rights of plaintiff \_\_\_\_\_  
 (print plaintiff's name)

who presently resides at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (mailing address or place of confinement)

were violated by the actions of the defendant(s) named below, which actions were directed against plaintiff at

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (institution/city where violation occurred)

on (date or dates) \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Claim I) (Claim II) (Claim III)

**NOTE:** You need not name more than one defendant or allege more than one claim. If you are naming more than five (5) defendants, make a copy of this page to provide the information for additional defendants.

1. Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ resides or works at  
(full name of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(full address of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant's position and title, if any)

The defendant is sued in his/her (Check one or both):  individual  official capacity.

Explain how this defendant was acting under color of law:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ resides or works at  
(full name of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(full address of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant's position and title, if any)

The defendant is sued in his/her (Check one or both):  individual  official capacity.

Explain how this defendant was acting under color of law:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ resides or works at  
(full name of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(full address of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant's position and title, if any)

The defendant is sued in his/her (Check one or both):  individual  official capacity.

Explain how this defendant was acting under color of law:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ resides or works at  
(full name of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(full address of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant's position and title, if any)

The defendant is sued in his/her (Check one or both):  individual  official capacity.

Explain how this defendant was acting under color of law:

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5. Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ resides or works at  
(full name of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(full address of first defendant)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant's position and title, if any)

The defendant is sued in his/her (Check one or both):  individual  official capacity.

Explain how this defendant was acting under color of law:

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**D. CLAIMS\***

**CLAIM I**

The following civil right has been violated:

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Supporting Facts: Include all facts you consider important. State the facts clearly, in your own words, and without citing legal authority or argument. Be certain you describe, in separately numbered paragraphs, exactly what each DEFENDANT (by name) did to violate your right.

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*\*If there is more than one claim, describe the additional claim(s) on another attached piece of paper using the same outline.*

