



1 With regard to Plaintiff's third request, Plaintiff is advised that the Clerk does not ordinarily  
2 provide free copies of case documents to parties. Plaintiff's Complaint was received and filed by the  
3 Court on August 17, 2011. The Clerk would not have returned a conformed copy of the Complaint to  
4 Plaintiff unless he submitted two copies of the Complaint and a large enough self-addressed envelope  
5 with sufficient postage to mail back a conformed copy. The Clerk charges \$.50 per page for copies of  
6 documents. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). Copies of up to twenty pages may be made by the Clerk's Office  
7 at this Court upon written request and prepayment of the copy fees. The fact that the Court has granted  
8 leave for Plaintiff to proceed in forma pauperis does not entitled him to free copies of documents from  
9 the Court. Under 28 U.S.C. § 2250, the Clerk is not required to furnish copies without cost to an  
10 indigent petitioner except by order of the judge. The Complaint is eighteen pages long. To request a  
11 copy at this juncture, Plaintiff must submit a request in writing to the Clerk, a large self-addressed  
12 envelope affixed with sufficient postage, and prepayment of copy costs to the Clerk. Plaintiff is advised  
13 that in the future, he should keep a copy of any document he submits to the Court. Based on the  
14 foregoing, this request shall be denied.

15 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 16 1. Plaintiff's request for a form to request appointment of counsel is DENIED;
- 17 2. Plaintiff's request for a gratuitous copy of his Complaint is DENIED;
- 18 3. Plaintiff's request for a copy of the Local Rules is GRANTED; and
- 19 4. The Clerk is directed to send Plaintiff a copy of the Local Rules pertaining to prisoner  
20 cases.

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23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

24 **Dated: November 15, 2011**

/s/ Gary S. Austin  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE