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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DEWAYNE THOMPSON,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
T. ADAMS, et al.,  
Defendants.

Case No. 1:13-cv-00655-AWI-SKO (PC)  
ORDER STRIKING REPLY TO ANSWER  
(Doc. 40)

Plaintiff DeWayne Thompson, a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis, filed this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 on May 6, 2013. On September 18, 2015, Plaintiff filed a reply to Defendants Felix, Harmon, Pendergrass, Cruz, and Brodie’s answer. Neither the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure nor the Local Rules provide for a reply to an answer, absent an order from the Court requiring one. Fed. R. Civ. P. 7(a)(7). In this case, the Court did not order a reply to the answer.

Accordingly, Plaintiff’s reply to Defendants’ answer, filed September 18, 2015, is **HEREBY ORDERED STRICKEN** from the record.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 21, 2015

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE