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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PATRICK JOSEPH SHARIT, Case No. 1:13-cv-1192 AWI-BAM
Plaintiff, ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
v.
STANISLAUS COUNTY HEALTH
SERVICE AGENCY,
Defendant.

Plaintiff Patrick Sharit (“Plaintiff”) is a state prisoner proceeding *pro se* in this action filed on July 26, 2013, together with a request to proceed in forma pauperis. (Docs. 1, 2). On August 28, 2013, the Court screened Plaintiff’s complaint and determined he failed to state a cognizable claim. (Doc. 7). The Court dismissed the complaint with leave to amend, and ordered Plaintiff to file an amended complaint within thirty days of the date of service, or no later than September 28, 2013. To date, Plaintiff has failed to comply with or otherwise respond to the Court’s order.

On August 28, 2013, the Court’s Order that had been properly served on Plaintiff at the Deuel Vocational Institution, Post Office Box 400, Tracy, California 95378, was returned by the postal service marked “Undeliverable.”

1 **DISCUSSION**

2 Eastern District of California Local Rule 182(f) provides that attorneys and any party
3 appearing pro se are “under a continuing duty to notify the Clerk and all other parties of any change of
4 address or telephone number of the attorney or the pro se party.” Thus, Plaintiff is under a continuing
5 duty to keep the Clerk and others informed of any change to his address or telephone number. Mail
6 addressed to Plaintiff has been returned as undeliverable, and therefore, Plaintiff has failed to keep the
7 Court informed of his current address despite a continuing duty to do so. Pursuant to Local Rule
8 183(b), any party appearing *pro se* must file and serve a notice of change of address within 63 days of
9 mail being returned. To date, more than 63 days have elapsed since mail was returned and petitioner
10 has not notified the court of a change of address.

11 Local Rule 110 provides that “failure of counsel or of a party to comply with these Local Rules
12 or with any order of the Court may be grounds for the imposition by the Court of any and all sanctions
13 . . . within the inherent power of the Court.” District courts have the inherent power to control their
14 dockets and “in the exercise of that power, they may impose sanctions including, where appropriate ...
15 dismissal of a case.” *Thompson v. Housing Auth.*, 782 F.2d 829, 831 (9th Cir. 1986). A court may
16 dismiss an action, with prejudice, based on a party’s failure to prosecute an action, failure to obey a
17 court order, or failure to comply with local rules. *See, e.g. Ghazali v. Moran*, 46 F.3d 52, 53-54 (9th
18 Cir. 1995) (dismissal for noncompliance with local rule); *Ferdik v. Bonzelet*, 963 F.2d 1258, 1260-61
19 (9th Cir. 1992) (dismissal for failure to comply with an order requiring amendment of complaint);
20 *Carey v. King*, 856 F.2d 1439, 1440-41 (9th Cir. 1988) (dismissal for failure to comply with local rule
21 requiring pro se plaintiffs to keep court apprised of address); *Malone v. U.S. Postal Service*, 833 F.2d
22 128, 130 (9th Cir. 1987) (dismissal for failure to comply with court order); *Henderson v. Duncan*, 779
23 F.2d 1421, 1424 (9th Cir. 1986) (dismissal for lack of prosecution and failure to comply with local
24 rules).

25 **CONCLUSION**

26 Plaintiff **PATRICK SHARIT** is hereby **ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE**, if any, why the
27 action should not be dismissed for his failure to follow the Local Rules. Plaintiff **SHALL** file a
28 declaration addressing his failure to keep the court informed, or in the alternative, shall file a Notice of

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Change of Address with this Court, **no later than December 31, 2013**. In the event Plaintiff fails to show cause for his failure, this Court will recommend dismissal of the action in its entirety.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 17, 2013

/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE