1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 8 9 10 SHAWN ANDERSON, CASE NO. 1:14-cv-01380-AWI-MJS (PC) 11 ORDER REGARDING FIRST AMENDED Plaintiff, **COMPLAINT** 12 ٧. (ECF NO. 16) 13 CHRIS KRPAN, et al., **FOURTEEN (14) DAY RESPONSE** 14 Defendants. DEADLINE 15 Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis in this civil 16 rights action brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (ECF Nos. 4 & 14.) 17 Plaintiff's complaint (ECF No. 1) was dismissed for failure to state a claim, but he 18 was given leave to amend (ECF No. 5.) On October 3, 2014, Plaintiff filed a first 19 amended complaint. (ECF No. 9.) On October 27, 2014, the Court struck Plaintiff's first 20 amended complaint because it was unsigned. (ECF No. 10.) The Court instructed 21 Plaintiff to file a signed amended pleading within thirty days. (Id.) The Court also noted 22 that the unsigned first amended complaint was substantively deficient, advised Plaintiff 23 of the legal standards applicable to what appeared to be Plaintiff's claims, and instructed 24 Plaintiff to cure the deficiencies in his amended pleading. (ld.) 25 On December 31, 2014, Plaintiff again filed a first amended complaint. (ECF No. 26 14.) On January 29, 2015, the Court again struck Plaintiff's first amended complaint 27

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because it was unsigned, and again noted that the unsigned first amended complaint was substantively deficient. (ECF No. 15.) Plaintiff was ordered to file a signed amended pleading, curing the noted deficiencies, within thirty days. (<u>Id.</u>)

On February 2, 2015, Plaintiff filed a signed first amended complaint. (ECF No. 16.) The signed first amended complaint is dated January 28, 2015, one day prior to the Court's most recent screening order. The signed first amended complaint appears to be nearly identical to the unsigned complaints the Court previously found to be deficient. (See ECF Nos. 9 & 14.)

Plaintiff seemingly mailed his signed first amended complaint prior to receiving the Court's most recent screening order. Accordingly, the Court will provide Plaintiff an opportunity to withdraw the complaint if he wishes, and to file a signed amended complaint that comports with the Court's screening order. If Plaintiff instead chooses to proceed with screening of the already-filed February 2, 2015 amended complaint, and the allegations are found to be deficient for reasons stated in the Court's prior screening order, the February 2, 2015 amended complaint may be dismissed without further leave to amend.

Accordingly, Plaintiff is HEREBY ORDERED to notify the Court within **fourteen** (14) days whether he will withdraw the February 2, 2015 first amended complaint, or wishes to proceed with screening of that complaint. If Plaintiff fails to timely respond to this order, the Court will proceed with screening of the February 2, 2015 first amended complaint.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: <u>February 10, 2015</u>

ISI Michael J. Seng
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE HIDGE