

1 Without a reasonable method of securing and compensating counsel, the Court will seek
2 volunteer counsel only in the most serious and exceptional cases. In determining whether “exceptional
3 circumstances exist, the district court must evaluate both the likelihood of success of the merits [and]
4 the ability of the [plaintiff] to articulate his claims *pro se* in light of the complexity of the legal issues
5 involved.” Id. (internal quotation marks and citations omitted).

6 In the present case, the Court does not find the required exceptional circumstances. Even if it
7 is assumed that Plaintiff is not well versed in the law and that he has made serious allegations which, if
8 proved, would entitle him to relief, his case is not exceptional. This Court is faced with similar cases
9 almost daily. Further, at this early stage in the proceedings, the Court cannot make a determination
10 that Plaintiff is likely to succeed on the merits, and based on a review of the record in this case, the
11 Court does not find that Plaintiff cannot adequately articulate his claims. Id.

12 For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff’s second motion for the appointment of counsel is
13 **HEREBY DENIED**, without prejudice.

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15 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

16 Dated: **June 1, 2017**


UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE