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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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8 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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10 CEDRIC CHESTER JOHNSON,) 1:16-cv-01371-DAD-BAM (PC)
11 Plaintiff,)
12 v.) ORDER STRIKING PLAINTIFF’S
13 NORTH KERN STATE PRISON, et al.,) RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT’S ANSWER
14 Defendants.) (ECF No. 33)
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16 Plaintiff Cedric Chester Johnson (“Plaintiff”) is a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in
17 forma pauperis in this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. This action proceeds on
18 Plaintiff’s claim for deliberate indifference in violation of the Eighth Amendment.

19 On March 22, 2017, Defendant Speakman answered Plaintiff’s complaint.¹ (ECF No.
20 27.) On April 13, 2017, Plaintiff filed a response to Defendant Speakman’s answer. (ECF No.
21 33.)

22 In relevant part, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide that there shall be a
23 complaint, an answer to a complaint, and, if the court orders one, a reply to an answer. Fed. R.
24 Civ. P. 7(a). The Court has not ordered a reply to Defendant’s answer and declines to make such
25 an order.

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28 ¹ Defendants Rocha, Jones and Kennenten have not yet been served with the summons and
complaint in this matter. Service by the United States Marshal is pending. (ECF No. 30.)

