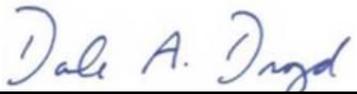


1 Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court will be directed to file plaintiff's amended complaint
2 (Doc. No. 10), which is now the operative complaint in this matter and is deemed filed as of the
3 date it was lodged with the court, April 3, 2017. Plaintiff may only amend once as a matter of
4 course and leave of court must be sought to file any other amendments.¹ Since plaintiff did not
5 require the court's permission to amend once as a matter of course, his motion to amend (Doc.
6 No. 19) is denied as unnecessary and moot. Similarly, defendant's motion to dismiss (Doc. No.
7 5) directed at plaintiff's original complaint is denied as moot due to the amendment, without
8 prejudice to refiling directed to the now-operative complaint in this action.

9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

10 Dated: April 5, 2017

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28 ¹ Plaintiff's supplemental complaint, which appears to be nearly identical to his amended
complaint, is therefore a nullity.