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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
9	EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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11	JASON LAMAR HALL,	Case No. 1:17-cv-00481-LJO-SAB
12	Plaintiff,	FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS RECOMMENDING DENYING PLAINTIFF'S APPLICATION TO PROCEED WITHOUT PREPAYMENT OF
13	V.	
14	VERNON NAKAHARA, et al.,	FEES
15	Defendants.	(ECF No. 2)
16 17		OBJECTIONS DUE WITHIN TWENTY- ONE DAYS
18	Plaintiff Jason Lamar Hall is appearing pro se in this civil rights action pursuant to 42	
19	U.S.C. § 1983. Along with his complaint, Plaintiff filed an application to proceed without	
20	prepayment of fees. In order to proceed in court without prepayment of the filing fee, Plaintiff	
21	must submit an affidavit demonstrating that he "is unable to pay such fees or give security	
22	therefor." 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1). A prisoner bringing an action is required to submit a certified	
23	copy of his trust fund account statement for the prior 6 month period immediately preceding the	
24	filing of the complaint. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2). A prisoner is required to pay the filing fee, and	
25	granting the application to proceed without prepayment of fees just requires that monthly	
26	withdrawals be made from the inmate's trust account when the amount in the account exceeds	
27	\$10.00 until the fee is paid in full. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2).	
28	With his application to proceed without prepayment of fees, Plaintiff included a copy of	

his trust account statement. According to Plaintiff's trust account statement, on February 21,
 2017, Plaintiff had \$5,927.90 in his account. Plaintiff's balance since September 2016 has been
 decreasing on average about \$100.00 per month. Therefore, Plaintiff's application to proceed in
 forma pauperis demonstrates that Plaintiff is able to pay the \$400.00 filing fee in this action as he
 has over \$5,500.00 in his inmate trust account.

Based upon the foregoing, the Court finds that Plaintiff is not eligible to proceed in forma
pauperis under 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Accordingly, it is HEREBY RECOMMENDED that
Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis be DENIED; and Plaintiff be ordered to pay
the \$400.00 filing fee within thirty (30) days.

10 This findings and recommendations is submitted to the district judge assigned to this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and this Court's Local Rule 304. Within twenty-11 12 one (21) days of service of this recommendation, Plaintiff may file written objections to this 13 findings and recommendations with the Court. Such a document should be captioned "Objections to Magistrate Judge's Findings and Recommendations." The district judge will 14 review the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 15 16 636(b)(1)(C). Plaintiff is advised that failure to file objections within the specified time may 17 result in the waiver of rights on appeal. <u>Wilkerson v. Wheeler</u>, 772 F.3d 834, 839 (9th Cir. 2014) 18 (citing Baxter v. Sullivan, 923 F.2d 1391, 1394 (9th Cir. 1991)).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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21 Dated: April 6, 2017

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE