UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LAWTIS DONALD RHODEN, Plaintiff, v. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS, et al., Defendant.	1:18-cv-00101 SAB (PC) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS (Doc. 14)

Plaintiff is a civil detainee proceeding pro se in a civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Individuals detained pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code ' 6600 et seq. are civil detainees and are not prisoners within the meaning of the Prison Litigation Reform Act. Page v. Torrey, 201 F.3d 1136, 1140 (9th Cir. 2000)

In the instant action, plaintiff filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis. Examination of these documents reveals that Plaintiff is unable to afford the costs of this action. Accordingly, the motion to proceed in forma pauperis is GRANTED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **February 12, 2018**

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE