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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KAREEM J. HOWELL,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
A. RANDOLPH, et al.,  
  
Defendants.

Case No. 1:19-cv-0735-NONE-JLT (PC)  
  
**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS’  
MOTION TO OPTOUT OF THE ADR  
PROJECT;  
  
ORDER LIFTING STAY; AND  
  
ORDER DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO  
ISSUE DISCOVERY AND SCHEDULING  
ORDER  
  
(Doc. 22)**

Plaintiff is a state prisoner, proceeding without counsel, with a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff brings a First Amendment retaliation claim against Correctional Officers Rodriguez, Randolph, and Burnes, and a Fourteenth Amendment Due Process claim against Rodriguez and Randolph. On October 14, 2020, defendants filed a motion to opt out of the post-screening ADR project. After reviewing the motion, the Court finds good cause to grant defendants’ motion. Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Defendants’ motion to opt out (Doc. 22) is **GRANTED**, and the stay of this action is **LIFTED**;

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2. The Clerk of Court is directed to issue a Discovery and Scheduling Order in this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 14, 2020

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE