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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CURTIS HIGHTOWER,	}	No. 2:08-cv-00228-SPK
Plaintiff,	}	
v.	}	
W. PATTON,	}	
Defendant.	}	

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR LEGAL ADVICE

On March 30, 2010, Plaintiff filed a motion with the Clerk of Court [Doc. 35] that asks for legal advice as to state or federal court matters. He asks “wheather [sic] or not the federal courts can assist this case to extent to the State Court’s attention? I have researched that it happens, it can happen. But I have yet to discover how exactly that is done. How exactly do I bring this case to both Federal and State justice?” [Doc. 35, at 2].

This Court cannot advise Plaintiff how to proceed in this civil proceeding. Aside from certain procedural rules (*e.g.*, *Klinge v. Eikenberry*, 849 F.2d 409 (9th Cir. 1988)), the Court’s role in managing the litigation cannot include giving legal

1 advice to any party. *See, e.g., Jacobsen v. Filler*, 790 F.2d 1362, 1365 (9th Cir.
2 1986) (“To give . . . advice would entail the district court's becoming a player in
3 the adversary process rather than remaining its referee”). Therefore, the Motion
4 seeking legal advice [Doc. 35] is DENIED.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED:

6 DATED: April 1, 2010.



Samuel P. King

Samuel P. King
Senior United States District Judge