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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RAASHAD CARTER,

No. 08 CV 2381 JCW

Plaintiff,

ORDER

vs.

L. CANNEDY, et al.,

Defendants.

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Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis in this action seeking relief pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

On May 4, 2011, I ordered the United States Marshal to serve process upon the defendants in this case. The Marshal was directed to attempt to secure a waiver of service before attempting personal service on defendants. If a waiver of service was not returned within sixty days, the Marshal was directed to effect personal service on the defendant in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and 28 U.S.C. § 566(c), without prepayment of costs, and to file the return of service with evidence of any attempt to secure a

1 waiver of service and with evidence of all costs subsequently incurred in effecting personal
2 service.

3 On September 14, 2011, the United States Marshal filed a return of service with a
4 USM-285 form showing total charges of \$819.20 for effecting personal service on defendant
5 S. Rivas. The form shows that a waiver of service form was mailed to the defendant on May 6,
6 2011, and that no response was received.

7 Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provides, in part, as follows:

8 An individual, corporation, or association that is subject to service
9 under subdivision (e), (f), or (h) and that receives notice of an
10 action in the manner provided in this paragraph has a duty to avoid
unnecessary costs of serving the summons

11 If a defendant located within the United States fails to comply with
12 a request for waiver made by a plaintiff located within the United
13 States, the court shall impose the costs subsequently incurred in
effecting service on the defendant unless good cause for the failure
be shown.

14 Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(d)(2).

15 I find that defendant S. Rivas was given the opportunity required by Rule 4(d)(2) to waive
16 service and has failed to comply with the request.

17 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

18 1. Within fourteen days from the date of this order defendant S. Rivas shall pay to the
19 United States Marshal the sum of \$819.20, unless within that time defendant files a written
20 statement showing good cause for his failure to waive service. I do not intend to extend this
21 fourteen day period.

22 2. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on the U.S.
23 Marshal.

24 DATED: November 16, 2011

/s/ J. Clifford Wallace

J. Clifford Wallace
United States Circuit Judge