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

10 RICKY L. BROWN,

Plaintiff, No. 2:11-cv-0389 GEB DAD P

VS.

IGI C/O WHEELER, et al.,

Defendants. ORDER

Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding pro se with a civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff claims that his constitutional rights were violated when he was subjected to the excessive use of force and an unlawful body cavity search by correctional officers. On January 26, 2012, plaintiff filed a motion to compel responses to his first set of interrogatories, his first request for production of documents, and his first request for admissions.

21 Defendants oppose the motion.

As to plaintiff's first set of interrogatories, defendants contend that the motion was premature as their responses were not due until January 30, 2012 and they timely served responses on that date. Although plaintiff's interrogatories were served on November 8, 2011, defendants sought and received two extensions of time, to and including January 30, 2012, in which to respond. See Orders filed January 4, 2012 and January 20, 2012. Defendants represent

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DATED: March 16, 2012.

in their opposition that the responses were timely served on January 30, 2012, and plaintiff has not disputed this representation. Plaintiff's motion to compel responses to interrogatories was premature and will therefore be denied.

As to plaintiff's requests for production of documents and for admissions, defendants oppose the motion to compel on the ground that the discovery requests at issue were not served until January 12, 2012, after the time for service of discovery requests set in the court's September 27, 2012 scheduling order had expired. Pursuant to that order, requests for discovery were to be served sixty days before January 9, 2012. Plaintiff's requests for production of documents and for admissions were served on January 12, 2012, well after expiration of that deadline. See Ex. A to Opposition to Motion to Compel, filed February 1, 2012. Plaintiff neither sought nor received an extension of time to serve these discovery requests prior to their untimely service. Accordingly, plaintiff's motion to compel responses to these discovery requests will be denied.

On February 13, 2012, plaintiff filed a motion for a thirty day extension of time to complete discovery in this action. As noted above, discovery closed on January 9, 2012. Plaintiff has presented no evidence that his failure to timely complete discovery was the result of "excusable neglect." Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(2). Moreover, plaintiff has not filed anything that demonstrates what, if any, additional discovery he requires in order to pursue his claims in this action. For that reason, plaintiff's motion for extension of time will be denied.

In accordance with the above, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Plaintiff's January 26, 2012 motion to compel (Doc. No. 36) is denied; and
- 2. Plaintiff's February 13, 2012 motion for an extension of time (Doc. No. 39) is

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE