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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	ANDRE RAMNANAN,	No. 2:14-cv-1441 KJM CKD P	
12	Plaintiff,		
13	v.	<u>ORDER</u>	
14	N. ALI, et al.,		
15	Defendants.		
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17	Plaintiff has requested the appointment of counsel. The United States Supreme Court has		
18	ruled that district courts lack authority to require counsel to represent indigent prisoners in § 1983		
19	cases. Mallard v. United States Dist. Court, 490 U.S. 296, 298 (1989). In certain exceptional		
20	circumstances, the court may request the voluntary assistance of counsel pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §		
21	1915(e)(1). Terrell v. Brewer, 935 F.2d 1015, 1017 (9th Cir. 1991); Wood v. Housewright, 900		
22	F.2d 1332, 1335-36 (9th Cir. 1990). In the present case, the court does not find the required		
23	exceptional circumstances. Plaintiff's request for the appointment of counsel will therefore be		
24	denied.		
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1	Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's request for the appointment of	
2	counsel (ECF No. 25) is denied.	
3	Dated: May 21, 2015	Carop U. Delany
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5		UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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