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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GARY LEE HENSLEY,
Plaintiff,
v.
CITY OF LOS ANGELES, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:14-cv-1754 MCE DAD PS

ORDER

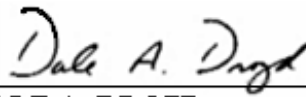
Plaintiff, Gary Hensley, is proceeding in this action pro se. This matter was referred to the undersigned in accordance with Local Rule 302(c)(21) and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Plaintiff has filed a complaint and has requested leave to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915.

The allegations of plaintiff's complaint, however, reveal that both plaintiff and the named defendants reside in either Ventura County, California, or Los Angeles County, and that the events alleged in plaintiff's complaint also occurred in those counties. Venue in a civil action is proper in (1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same State in which the district is located, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction at the time the action is commenced, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought. 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

1 Here, the complaint alleges that the events giving rise to this action took place in Ventura
2 County, California, and Los Angeles County, California, which is also where the named
3 defendants reside and are located. This action, therefore, should have been brought in the United
4 States District Court for the Central District of California, since Ventura County and Los Angeles
5 County are within the boundaries of that district. In the interests of justice, this action will be
6 transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California for further
7 proceedings, including a ruling on plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis and the
8 screening of plaintiff's complaint. See 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

9 Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that this action is transferred to the United States District
10 Court for the Central District of California.

11 Dated: November 21, 2014

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14 DALE A. DROZD
15 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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