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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHAEL WALLACE BROWN,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
KEVIN HASS, et al.,  
Defendants.

No. 2:15-cv-0155-JAM-EFB P

ORDER

Plaintiff is a former county inmate proceeding without counsel in an action brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. On July 7, 2017, defendants filed a motion for summary judgment and informed plaintiff of the requirements for opposing a motion for summary judgment. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 56; *Rand v. Rowland*, 154 F.3d 952, 962-63 (9th Cir. 1998). Plaintiff has not filed an opposition or a statement of no opposition to the motion.

In cases in which one party is incarcerated and proceeding without counsel, motions ordinarily are submitted on the record without oral argument. E.D. Cal. Local Rule 230(l).<sup>1</sup> “Opposition, if any, to the granting of the motion shall be served and filed by the responding party not more than twenty-one (21), days after the date of service of the motion.” *Id.* A responding party’s failure “to file an opposition or to file a statement of no opposition may be

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<sup>1</sup> That rule continues to apply in this action. Local Rule 230(l) remains in effect regardless of plaintiff’s current custodial status. *See* ECF No. 12 at page 3, paragraph 9.

1 deemed a waiver of any opposition to the granting of the motion and may result in the imposition  
2 of sanctions.” *Id.* Furthermore, a party’s failure to comply with any order or with the Local  
3 Rules “may be grounds for imposition by the Court of any and all sanctions authorized by statute  
4 or Rule or within the inherent power of the Court.” E.D. Cal. Local Rule 110. The court may  
5 recommend that an action be dismissed with or without prejudice, as appropriate, if a party  
6 disobeys an order or the Local Rules. *See Ferdik v. Bonzelet*, 963 F.2d 1258, 1263 (9th Cir.  
7 1992) (district court did not abuse discretion in dismissing pro se plaintiff’s complaint for failing  
8 to obey an order to re-file an amended complaint to comply with Federal Rules of Civil  
9 Procedure); *Carey v. King*, 856 F.2d 1439, 1440-41 (9th Cir. 1988) (dismissal for pro se  
10 plaintiff’s failure to comply with local rule regarding notice of change of address affirmed).

11 On June 27, 2016, the court advised plaintiff of the requirements for filing an opposition  
12 to the motion, that failure to oppose such a motion may be deemed a waiver of opposition to the  
13 motion and that failure to comply with the Local Rules may result in dismissal.

14 Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that, within 21 days of the date of this order,  
15 plaintiff shall file either an opposition to the motion or a statement of no opposition. Failure to  
16 comply with this order may result in a recommendation that this action be dismissed without  
17 prejudice.

18 DATED: August 21, 2017.

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20 EDMUND F. BRENNAN  
21 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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