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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KENNETH J. NELSON,
Plaintiff,
v.
C. SMITH, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:17-cv-1722 KJN P

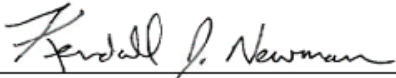
ORDER

Plaintiff is a state prisoner, proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis. Plaintiff filed a request for eight subpoena forms, but did not identify the purpose of the subpoenas requested or identify to whom the subpoenas will be directed. Because plaintiff is proceeding in forma pauperis, certain subpoenas require review by the court before directing the United States Marshal to serve the subpoena. In addition, no hearing has been set in this matter; indeed, no defendants have yet been served with process or filed an appearance in this action. Thus, plaintiff's request is also premature.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's request for subpoena forms (ECF No. 13) is denied without prejudice.

Dated: January 12, 2018

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KENDALL J. NEWMAN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE