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8	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11	DARON MICHAEL OLIVER, No. 2:18-CV-1809-KJM-CMK
12	Plaintiff,
13	vs. <u>ORDER</u>
14	DUANE SHELTON, et al.,
15	Defendants.
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17	Plaintiff, who is proceeding pro se, brings this civil action. Pending before the
18	court is plaintiff's motion for appointment of counsel (Doc. 10).
19	The United States Supreme Court has ruled that district courts lack authority to
20	require counsel to represent indigent plaintiffs in civil actions. See e.g. Mallard v. United States
21	Dist. Court, 490 U.S. 296, 298 (1989). In certain exceptional circumstances, the court may
22	request the voluntary assistance of counsel pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1). See Terrell v.
23	Brewer, 935 F.2d 1015, 1017 (9th Cir. 1991); Wood v. Housewright, 900 F.2d 1332, 1335-36
24	(9th Cir. 1990). In the present case, the court does not at this time find the required exceptional
25	circumstances.
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1	Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's request for the
2	appointment of counsel (Doc. 10) is denied.
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4	DATED: August 7, 2018
5	Losing M. Kellison
6	CRAIG M. KELLISON UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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